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Full information as to conditions of tendering, etc., can be obtained from the Colonial Treasurer.

CONDITIONS OF TENDERING. .. 1. No tender will be received unless the tenderer produces a receipt from the Treasurer

(i.) A deposit of \$30,000, or of Title Deeds, or other approved securities to a like amount, and

(ii,) An agreement, to be executed by him on a form provided by the Treasurer, to the effect that, if he should decline to accept a grant of the Farm on the terms of the tender sent in by him or fail togive the prescribed security for suchgrant, such deposit or securities shall be forfeited to the Crown.

Such deposit must be completed not later than noon on the 30th day of August, 1909. All deposits will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

2. The tender must state the monthly sum

offered for the Farm as rent. 3. The Government does not bind itself

accept the highest or any tender,----4. The successful tenderer shall before the ra day of January, 1910, deposit with the Treasurer approved security, either money or title deeds, to the value of three months' rent of the Farm fir the due performance of the conditions on which the privilege is granted and of the stipulations or agreement in respect thereof, and the security previously deposited with the Treasurer on the tender being received will be retained until such, successful tenderer shall have deposited such, security. Particulars of the Security offered must be submitted to the Treasurer before the 1st day of November, 1909: for the approval of the Government, and the security shall be in such form as the Treasurer may require. Title deeds of land in any British Territory may be submitted for approval.

5. The Governor-in-Council will execute to the accepted tenderer a Grant in the form, or as near thereto as may be, hereinafter set out. as soon as the security has been completed to the satisfaction of the Governor-in-Council; and the Grantee shall sign a counterpart of such Grant.

6. During the continuance of the privileges the successful tenderer shall be entitled to the use of a trade mark to be approved by the Governor-in-Council on all Opium prepared by him.

CONDITIONS OF THE FARM. Conditions to be fulfilled by the Grantee of the Opium Farm, and the breach of which will involve liability to the forfeiture of the Grant and of the Security deposited with the

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the first day of each month. " (2) To have no Raw Opium in possession except what is reported through the Imports and Exports Office; and, unless the special permission of the Governor to exceed that amount is obtained, to draw not more than 900 chests of Raw Opium in each completed year of the Farm : if any Prepared Opium is imported into the Colony by the Farmer an equivalent deduction must be made in the number of chests of Raw Opium drawn by him.

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. Goods not cleared by the 6th July, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ton days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods

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OPIUM SMUGGLING.

HEAVY PENALTIES.

The following report is taken from the Sydney Daily Teleroph of 24th May 1-Ah Way and Edward Merchant, who had been adjudged guilty of being concerned in the smuggling of 867 time of opium suitable for smoking into Sydney on January 27 last under rather sensational circumstances, already described, appeare I before Mr. Justice Higgins in the High Court on Saturday for fixing of penalties.

Mr. W. e. K.C., Mr. blacket, and Mr. Bavin (instructed by Mr. C. Power, Commonwealth | facts, Solicitor) appeared on behalf of the Collector of Customs; and Mr. Flannery (instructed by Mr. J. J. Carrill) appeared for the defendant Ab. Wny, and (instructed Mr. R. H. Levien) for the defendant Edward Merchant.

Mr. Wise, in moving for judgment in the case of Ah Way, asked for the maximum penalty of £5.0.

His Honour: Do you say that is the miximum?

Mr. Wise: That is what we asked for, We could have asked for £7,000. This counsel

maintained, was a peculiarly gross and imvery large scale. If the attempt has been successial, the accused would have made a profit of several thousand pounds. They had put the country to a heavy expense in proving guilt, and they had not hesitated to come into court and support their case by perjury.

Mr. Flannery assumed that the assertion made that the accused had come into court to support their case by perjury would not be considered by his Honour, even if correct. He reminded the Court that it was chiefly upon the evidence given by Ah Way and Merchant that the conclusion was drawn that the defendants were concerned in the offence charged. His Honour: I won't consider perjury here

Mr. Flaunery suggested that the penalty prescribed by the Act for the offence was £100. The Court was also allowed to fix the penalty dependent upon the value of the goods which were the subject of the prosecution, while the imprisonment to be suffered by the defendant in default of payment was automatically attached by law. As regarded value of the goods, counarriving at that-to take the value at the port of entry, plus freight charges and duty, or to take tracting from the artistic appearance, the ascertained market value. The market value here was considered to be the test by which the value could be reached. But opium being a prohibited import, it was a difficult matter to fix the market value, and he submitted that evidence which had been given on the point was not satisfactory, as there was no market in existence to which the Court could refer. Two Crown witnesses had given different values, The value was almost impossible to determine, and he put it that opium under existing conditions in New South Wales had not a market value such as the Court could accept in determining the penalty to be fixed. It was exactly in the same position as a burglar's "jemmy." If there was to be any uniformity in fixing penalties, and consequent punishment, it would be a dangerous thing to attach the same value to the class of evidence tendered as would be ultached to a mat er which could be easily as

> value of the goods? His Honour: What do you say should be

certained. How could the defendant check the

the penalty? Mr. Flannery; I say Lion '

His Honour: And what do you say is the value of the goods?

Mr. Flannery: Certainly not what a person

who had the opium craving on him might pay for on a lin.

Mr. Wise submitted the Crown was entitled

to a penalty of £500.

His Honour said that, the Full Court baying decided that the proclamation as to the probibition of the importation of opium was valid, he must fix a penalty. Ah Way was deliberately endeavouring to import these 867 tins of opium into the Commonwealth, or, at the very least, he was concerned in the importation, and, in his I enour's view, that was sufficient for the purposes of the Act. Possibly he thought it a hardship. But Parliament prohibited the importation of opium a the interests of the physical and moral welfare of human beings. He had beet asked to fix the printity at £100, but that sum was, in his opinion, far loss than three times the value of the goods in respect of which the offence had been committed. According to a witness who sold such goods before their prohibition, a tin of opium was worth 24s, and his Honour was not going to believe that the value had gone down since it had become more diffi cult to obtain the drug. The craving was as great to-day as it was before, and the supply considerably less. The witness Ping Nam ha ! assumed the present value at £2 per tio, while a Customs officer put it at £3. Defendant gave no evidence in contradiction. His Honour took it into account that these values were the and retail values. The Crown pressed for a penalty of £500 for opium which, eccording to one estimute, would be worth almost £8,000. "I have no hesitation," said his Honour, "in imposing the maximum penalty of £500, and ordering the defendant to pay costs. It must be clearly understood that the law must be obeyed, and there are no externating circumstances in this case."

With regard to the recovery of the penalty. Mr. Flannery suggested that the defendant should be rele-sed on his giving security to pay the penalty at the end of three weeks, if no notice of appeal was filed in the prescribed time.

His Honour said be was not going to make any order dependent upon the right of appeal, He would fix the panalty at £500, defendant to pay costs, including those of the reference to the Full Court, and to be released upon his glying security for payment of the penalty to the estisfaction of the proper officer of the court Mr. Wise then offered to withdraw the second

190 Information charging. Ale Way with being un-

lawfully in possession of prohibited goods, so long as the defendant did not press for costs His Honour: I think that is a wise discre-

Mr. Flannery said he was instructed to ask for the dismissal of the information, with costs. Defendant had a complete answer to the charge. Mr. Wise replied, in that case, he would proceed with the case. He tendered certain avidence given in the pravious case, and also cartain oral evidence.

Mr. Flanuery submitted that the case must be dismissed. Ah Way had been found guilty authority for the proposition that no person could be found guilty twice on the same set of

His Honour, after hearing argument, adjudged the defendant guilty and imposed a fine of £5, but gave no costs to the Crown

CASE OF EDWARD MERCHANT. Mr. Wise pressed for the full penalty of £500 in the case against Edward Merchant for being unlawfully in possession of prohibited goods. After hearing Mr. Flannery, who contended that the case should be dismissed, ...

His Honour said Merchant was the boatman, and was working the boat for gain, and assisting to defeat the law in helping Ab. Way, in bringing in goods of a cheracter that Parliament pulent attempt to defraud the Customs on a deemed to be a means to vice in others. It might be that Merchant had entered into the advanture thoughtless!, as well as for gain. However, men who were trying to beat the law like A Way could not succeed at all but for men like Merchant, who for personal gain, as well as for gain to others, helped those nefarious proceedings. He was bound to let those who helped in the importation of opium know that there was more prospect of loss than gain in such proceedings. He must inflict upon Merchant a penalty, but by no means a penalty of £500; He would fix the penalty at £50, with costs defendant to remain in custody until security was given. It is Honour added that, if he were called upon to deal with similar cases here after, he would increase the penalty.

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Hongkong, Saturday, July 3, 1909.

CHINA'S POSTAL SERVICE.

In our last issue much space was devoted to a notice and extracts from the comprehensive report of Mr. T. Piry, the Postal Secretary, or the working of the Chinese postal system during last year. Our excerpts were intended to con vey a general knowledge of the extensive development in this special department of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs with special reference to the remarkable progress which Mr. Piry was able to chronicle in South China. To-day we give prominence to his review of routes and communications. Courier lines have increased during the year from 1B1,500 to 205,000 /l, or by nearly 8,000 miles native boat lines, from 18,500 to 20,500 lf, nearly 700 miles. Steamer lines cover 8,000 miles, and railway lines, which continue steadily extending, now ran over 12,500 H, or 5,000 miles. Operations are now carried on over 262,000 II, or, roughly, 87,000 miles, the total Increase in length during the year amounting time and energy, and, at times, their lives (six to some 9,000 miles. In the Peking district a communication was opened to Lamamiao (Dolonor), connecting it with Suanhwa; outthe dangerous gorges and rapids, of the treaside the Great Wallithe service is successfully maintained by means of mounted couriers, the cherous Yangtze. Wanhsien, where a District 560 Il from Lamamiao to Silanhwa being accomplished in 56 hours. Eight new courier and Chungking, is the point where the two lines have been opened in Honau, making postal boat services from Chungking and connection between the northern and southern Ichang converge: of these two services, the sections of the province. The trunk road to seven boats plying between Wanhsien and the west, from Honaviu to Tungkwan-485 // -over difficult and robber-infested country, is covering 326,400 H, or foughly, 108,800 miles now covered by day-and-night couriers in to whilst the Wanhalen-Chungking fleet made hours. In Shansi 16 new lines have been | 160 trips, covering \$16,800 li, or 105,600 miles. opened, and three of the existing routes have Yochow has postal Boat services to Changeha been converted into fast day-and-night services. (360 il) and Changteh (580 il), and from Changthe most important, of which extends from teh to Chenytian (1,510 4), in all 2,450 11. Pactow in the north, through the centre of the Hankow covers 140 li, and has recently opened

connects with Tungkwan, in Shansi: this connection measures no less than 2,630 11. The length of lines in the province increased during the year, by a,500 il. Shensi keeps up a courier service of over 15,000 li; from Signfu to Tungkwan the tun is new performed by daysaid-night couriers, a considerable gain in time being the result. In Manchuria over 5,000 If have been added to existing lines; of the newly opened services, the most important are Moukden-Tunghwa, Ninguta-Hunchun, Shwangchengpu-Petuna, Kirin-Shwangchengpu, Szepingkai-Liaoyllanchow, Kaiyllan-Hailungfu, Antung-Tunghwa. A special service, running dally, has been inaugurated between Kirin and Kwanchengtze, accom. plishing the 240 H in 16 hours; the roads in this part of the district are frequently-infested" with - robbers\_and "bandits, 'and couriers are armed with tifles and ammunition by the responsible officials. At Tientsin the noticeable feature is the opening of a daily, instead of an alternate day, service between Tsunhwa and Pingchilan, whereby the distance, 300 li, is covered in 35 hours instead of three days; in all, 16 new lines have been opened throughout the district. In Shantung several connections have been much accelerated by means of day-and-night couriers: between Chefon and Laiyang the 260 It are now covered in 26 hours instead of 72; between Chelon and We halwei vid Ninghai 240 II are run in 24 hours. In the Kiaochow district the Changlo and Yangkiokow service has been similarly quickened, the merchants at the latter place showing their appreciation by posting more letters. Wherever communications are accel-

crated, there is a swelling, in the number of articles dealt with, business people readily giving up the slower min-chil couriers; this is particularly demonstrated in the province of Shantung, where but lew native agencies are left. There is work to do and ground to gain, however, in other parts : the min-chil still possess excellent services in Szechuati, and part of the programme to be carried out in that province is to accelerate times on long-distance routes, fast day-and-night services are being statted on the Wanhsien-Chungking and Wanhsien-Chengtu lines, and numerous other points are to receive immediate attention. In the Wanhsien district much extension was given-to-courier-lines, namely, to Tungliang. (500 li), Kweichowfu, and Mianyutsan (90 li), in each case hitherto untouched country. In the Shasi district three new services were naugurated, the most important being to Kingmenchow, in the north, which promises to be a great success. Yochow effected connection with the Chungking district at Siushan, and with the Canton district at Kuyi, by means of new services, six in all being opened, the distance covered by couriers being bowling alley licences and of hawkers licences; of a vast but sparsely populated district, in- gistrar General, of the Head of the Sanitary creased its courier connections by no less than | Department as the officer in whose discretion

In the Mengtiz district courier connections

now cover 9,400 li: attention was chiefly de-

voted to the improvement of existing routes.

the most important lines thus ameliorated

being Yuankiang-Sinhing, especially designed

to shorten the Yunnanfa-Szemao line, and

the Howyentsing-Yüanmow line, whereby cor-

respondence from the salt wells to Hweili is

saved a detour of about 500 li vid Yunnanfu.

in addition to courier lines on land, the

post il boat service continues to develop, the

total length navigated having iccreased from

18,500 to 20,500 li. The Chungking-Wanhsien

fleet of seven boats is doing well, notwithstand,

ing difficulties and daugers: last summer one

of the boats was wrecked off Changshow, al

the mails being submerged, but subsequently

recovered. The usual time for the up-river

trip is just under seven days; five days 18 hours

constitutes the record up to date. It is gratify-

ing to note the unanimity with which all

classes of the foreign community at Churg.

king-captalus of gunboats, missionaries, and

merchants-join in appreciating the services

of the postal boat couriers, humble but loyal

servants of the Post Office, who devote all their

the difficult task of piloting their boats through

Inspector is stationed midway between Ichang

Ichang made 160 trips during the 34th year,

newlack, to Puckow in the south, where it is pervice between Tienchischen and Wustek.

1,400 li Kiukiang pushed forward extension | shall lie the granting of Chinese undertaker very vigorously, and added 13 new lines, or a licences. total length of 2,000 li. Wuhu, started three fresh services; Nanking, two; Chinkiang, seven. Two kidoappers of young children have just Two Foochow district lies in the Min watershed | been discovered, says the Japan Advertiser, in and is separated by high mountains from all Horjo Ku, Tokio. They have been conductneighbouring districts-Santuao, Amoy, Wen- ing their operations since the summer of last chow, Ningpo, and Kiukiang-so the roads in | year and during that time have kidnapped 23 the interior are mountainous and difficult; yet children. It has been their practice to frequent to profit thereby is too great for the scrupulfour new land routes have been opened and the | Asakusa and other busy centres of the city and length of communications iccreased to 5, too li, to abjust with enticing promises, children Two new lines have been opened in Amoy. unaccompanied by their seniors. The captives five in Swatow, with a proportionate increase in | bave then been sold under a contract to some distance covered. But it is chiefly in the two fishermen in Chiba Prefecture at 7 yen cach, southern provinces that extension has been carand have been employed as assistants in fishried out on an extensive scale and with exceling. The kidnappers have finally fallen into lent results. In the Canton district proper the the hands of the police and are now underlongth of courier lines has increased from 6,200 going examination. It appears that the fisherto 7,8 o li, and 27 new lines have been opened. men understood the children to be beggars Likewise, in Wuchow (Kwangsi), which is un-

who had been assembled from various parts of der Canton, the length has increased from 4,000 the city and had come voluntarily, the Y? to 8,000 li, and 12 new lines have been started; being paid for the services of the two men who in-addition, a day and night service was inwere supposed to assemble and bring them to augurated between Wuchow and Kweilin-the Chiba. It seems, however, that many of the provincial capital -the distance of 785 li beir g chi'dren belong to good and well-to-do.

now covered in 80 hours. Pakhoi and Lungchow have shown activity, the former district having started three new lines, and the latter HONGRONG WATER POLU established connection between Mingningchow SHIKLD COMPRZITION. and Shangsze vid Haiyuan, a distance of 305 lt.

FIRST ROUND.

The first Water Polo match in the above competition took place yesterday afternoon between teams representing the Lusitano Recreation Club and the Bard Co., R.G.A, and resulted in an easy victory for the former team. The soldiers had a much faster team but never seem ed inclined to mark their men, hence the score of tr goals to nil sgainst them.

The teams were as follows :-- . L. R. C :- A. J. V. Ribeiro, C. A. C. Rodrigues J. M. C. Lopes, F. da Rezz, C. M. S. A'ves, E M.O. Remedios, and A Carvalho.

B3 Coy., R. G. A. :- Bombardiers Green, Robinson, Gunners Allen, Ripley, Guest Baldwin, and Nash

Tho B. O. C. and C. Y. C. maet next Wednesday to play their first round in the Shield Competition and this should prove an interesting Government with rebellious intent, and had game as the Boys are pretty well up in the

SANITARY BOARD.

.A meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held on Tuesday next at 3.45 p.m. Following are lives were lost during the summer-season) to, the orders of the day;-

Letter from Government relative to the appointment of Mr. E D. C. Wolfs to be Head of the Sanitary Department. Letter from Government relative to the question of opening | Kolya left matters were all quiet. The Kolya a cometery for Fuddhists. Correspondence relative to backyards in domestic buildings. tons of copra at Levuks, for Sydney. The pas-Reports of the Medical Officer of Health tolative to certain houses remaining to be dealt with undersection 175 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance 1903-1908, Correspondence, the wreck of the barque Annasona still remains relative to the completion of the latring at Wong intact on the reel pei-chung. Correspondence relative to the erection of an iron staircase in the yard of No THE third meeting of the Hongkong Gymof Oncon's Road Central. Complaint against the Shaukiwan Scavenging and Conservancy Contractor, Application for a laundry licence | excellent racing provided will appear in our

MACAO'S DELIMITATION

LETTER FROM SING PORE CHINESE. [From Our Own Corraspondent.]

per hour. Soochow utes no less than 42 hong Canton, and July. boats along a distance of \$37 li, and Hangchow On the 1st instant, the Canton Felf-Govern-44, covering 2,000 Il. Wenchow, Santuage ment Society was in receipt of a letter from Foochow, Swatow all employ boats running Chinese residing in the Straits Settlements, through the creeks and rivers of their inland in which the Self-Government Society has been asked to take drastic steps with a view to proof 77 subsidised native boats, which run ovehibiting the people from visiting the pleasure 4,421 U, also two special fast boats between resorts and gambling saloons in the Portuguese Canton and Fatsban and Canton and Chang Colony of Macao, and to urge the authorities to enforce regulations forbidding the sale of Macao lottery tickets in Chinese territories. [The lottery issue of the Santa Casa de Misericordia, more generally known as the Macao lottery. has been discontinued, and the monopoly abolished, at any rate, temporarily .-- Ed., H. K.T.] It is urged that more members should Mr. Scholto Swart has been appointed Vicebe sent to the interior to deliver lectures and make speeches to persuade the local gentry to warn their youths against visiting noted. THE title of "Inspector of Schools" in the establishments in the Portuguese settlement. Colony has been abolished and has been re-It is suggested in the letter that a body of detectives should be formed, for the purpose of keeping a strict watch for anyone found MR. F. A. Haziland has been appointed First Police Magistrate and Mr. J. R. Wood Second Police Magistrate with effect from 21st March patriots. The Self-Government Society also ten thousand dellars. MR. W. S. Bailey has been appointed a surveyor

FAILURE OF CHINESE HONGS

BANKRUPTCY IN BANGKOK.

letter towards the funds for the maintenance

of the Society.

Within the past week or so we (Siam Free Press) are informed that two more Chinese chops closed in the vicinity of Sempeng, and declared themselves in bankruptcy. According to information received from persons concerned one of these establishments is involved in about a debt of Ticals 85,000, whilst the other is credited with something about 50 thousand ticals. Creditors are reported to be mulcted in sums varying in from Ticals 15,000 up to Tics 15,000 and there is little hope that even a small percentage will be retrieved This is rather hard on the creditors but it is even feared that the worst is not over, as some other collapses are momentarily expected. Financial crashes of thi nature frequently occurring are enough ! paralyze trade and honest dealing between mar gistrar General respectively, of the Captain and man, and it is high time that Bangkok importing firms should set about hedging around some desence in their own security. Sampens creditors, says a correspondent, have been glut ted for the past few years with the extent sucreased to 5,000 li. Kweiyang, at the head and by the substitution, in place of the Re- of credit which they could obtain, and as most of them hall from the Colortial Empire they were not slow to realise that a rapid and abundant hervest could be resped under such favour able circumstances. At the present rate of exchange ten ticals from Bangkok will fetch about \$81 in China, and never has such a more favourable opportunity been offered for the merchant, hailing from the 'Flowery Land' to make a big fortune in a comparatively, short time. The credit is long and the temptation ousity of a heart formed on the pature of that of Ah Sin's.

Wherefore it becomes a peculiarly incumbent duty on all importing firms to unite and make a firm stand for their own mutual in terests not to be fleeced or ruined by the will customer as above described.

Bankruptcy laws as maintained in other cour tries are absolutely essential to the prosperit of trade and commerce, and these backed up by a Chamber of Commerce would be calculated to do much towards safeguarding the in terests of both the Importer and Home Manu-

We shall be glad to express any further opinion anent the important subject.

GERMAN FLERT AL SAMO

NATIVE CHIEFS DEP RTED. ...

The steamer Kalya, of the Adelaide S.S. Company's line, which was charlered to convey a cargo of coal to hamoa and F je for the German squadron, returned to Sydney on 26th

The Koly a met the Garman fligship Leipzig coaled the Titania and the cruiser Arcona The visit of the German fleet to Samoa cccasioned considerable interest. Vice-Admiral the N. Loochoos, appears to be filling up. Coerper, of the Leignig, and his chief of staff. Captain Bordicker, attended one of the "fonos," held by the Governor, for the Sampans.

The Vice-Admiral took the opportunity to inform the natives of the object of his visit to expected in the Formosa Channel, and moderate Samoa. He explained that he was sent Samon by his Majasty the Kaiser with powerful of the China Sea. ships, to protect the loyal and friendly Samoans but that he would not hesitate to use arms against those who opposed the orders of the made impertinent demands.

"I will energetically support the policy which the Gevernor, your father, is carrying out in this colony, in accordance with the wishes of his Majesty the Kaiser,"

The speech made a marked impresssion upon

The chiefs concerned in the recent trouble, and many of their followers, were deported to one of the islands in the Bismarck Archipelagoand they left in the flagship Laipzig. When the went on to Fili from Sampa and she loaded 600 sage from the islands was marked by moderate weather. Middleton short was sighted on the passage, and Captain Donaldson reports that

khana Club was held at the Race Course, Happy Valley, to day, Full particulars of the Monday's issue,

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

H.E. CHANG JEN CHUN. [From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, and July. It is reported that H. E. Viceroy Chang Jon Chun has fixed the 24th day of this moon (the tith instant) for the handing over charge of the Llang Kwang Viceregal Yamen to the Provincial Treasurer, H. E. Wu Seung Lum. H.E. Chang will then proceed about the end of this moon to Nanking to take up his new appointment as Viceroy of the Liang Kiang. E. Chang has given instructions to his subordinates to have all the outstanding business in connection with his yamen completed before his departure. H.E. Chang is in receipt of a telegram from the Canton Vicercy designate H.E. Yuan inquising when H.E. Chang proposes to start from Canton for his new post. LIKIN COLLECTIONS.

The collection of Liken Dues in Canton during the first ten days of the 5th moon, as reported by the Likin officials to the Viceroy, amounted to 47,686.6.6 o tacls.

MARKET-PLACE ATTACKED BY ROBBERS. On the 28th ultimo, the Lung Tan markety visiting the proscribed places. Such persons place in the Ying Tak district was attacked by should be estracised by his family and over a hundred robbers, who ransacked thirhis clan, and should further not be al- teen shops and carried away a large quantity lowed the privileges enjoyed by his com- of silk piece goods, etc., to the value of over

received \$150 which accommunied the above Chipg Lipg Fee, a famous Chinese conjuror, and company, who have returned lately from Australia, arrived here a fortnight ago. He has given remarkable performances in the various. theatres in this city, which were thoroughly appreciated by the audience, both Chinese and foreign. Ching Ling Foo is assisted by his daughter who is about filteen years of age, who sings English songs very well. In appreciation of her talents she is the proud recipient of a number of medals which had been presented her during her tour in Europe and America. The entire troupe has won great popularity during their stay here, and it is reported that Ching tral Government of much anxiety. Ling Foo will leave again for Europe in the course of a week.

DISTURBANCE AT SHANGHAI.

SERIOUS FRACAS IN FRENCHTOWN.

Late last night (21st ult.) the French Municipal Police received information that as the result of an affray which had taken place upon the outskirts of the Concession two Chinese had been seriously wounded and were in a dangerous condition. Police officers were at once despatched to the spot where the fraces was reported to have occurred-a small village at the meeting of the French Concession finance. with the West Gate of the City-and there it was discovered that the affair had been in the nature of a fighting among robbers and loafers and had resulted in the manner reported to the police. While the wounded men were being taken to St. Mary's Hospital the police prosecuted the keenest inquiries. and before moraing were able to take into custody three of a gang said to number in all about a dozen.

of thieves had retired to this secluded locality with the object of dividing some booty, the past eleven-o'clock-a-quairel-commenced, as not infrequently happens, over the division knives were produced. A general fight seems to have ensued in the course of which one of the desperadoes received a degger wound in the left side of the chest, and a second was felled to the ground with a cut in his forehead. Fearing capture the thieves then decamped, leaving their two wounded comrades to fall into the hands of the police As has already been stated this was followed soon after by the arrest of three others of the gang, and as the police are on the alert other, arrests are expected to follow. The wounds of the two in St. Mary's Hospital though selious are not expected to prove fatal.—Shanghai Mercury.

THE WEATHER.

Director of the Hongkong Observatory:-On the 3rd at 12.0: p.—The baron eter has the promotion of Chinese industries. at Apia, and replenished her bunkers. She also risen generally, considerably over N. China and slightly elsewhere.

The depression which is now situated near Pressure is high over Manchuria and the

Pacific to the E. of Japan. It is relatively low | country duty free. over S. China and Tongking. Moderate to fresh S. to E. winds may be

S.W. to S.E. winds along the northern shores Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending

at to a.m. to-day, 0.05 inches. FORECAST. 1.-Hongkong and Neighbourhood, S.W.

to S.E. winds, moderate; fair to showery, 2.-Formosa Channel, S. to E. winds, moderate or fresh.

3.-South coast of China between Hongkons and Lamocks, same as No. 7. 4.-South coast of China between Hongkong

and Hainan, same as No. I.

SHIPPING AND MAILS

MAILS DUE Indian ( Latsang) 5th inst.

Australian (Tasynan) 14th inst.

The Bank Line s.s. Kumeric arrived at Mani

The a.s. Rabi left Manila on 3rd inst., and is due here on 5th inst at 6 p.m. The s.s. Yeddo left Singapore on and inst p m., and may be expected bereon gib inst, a m. The H. A. L. s.s. Scandia left Foothow on 3rd inst, a.m., and may be expected here of

4th inst., p.m. The N. Y. K. es. Yawala Maru. Australian Line, left Manila for this port on 3rd inst., and le expected bare on fit laste a mi

Cclegrams.

'HONGKONG TELEGRAPH' SERVICE.

NANKING VICEROYALTY.

TUAN FANG'S DEPARTURE. [By coursely of the " Shoung Po."]

Peking, 2nd July.

The acting Viceroy of Nanking, Fang Chang-chun, will take over the seal of office (pending the arrival of Na Tung) on the 8th inst.

Viceroy Tuan Fang will leave for Peking on or about the 12th inst.

> CHANG-JEN CHUN. A TACTFUL VICEROY.

[By courtery of the " Showng Po."] Peking, 2nd July.

The Prince Regent yesterday made the remark to the Grand Councillors that H.E. Chang Jenchun, Viceroy of Canton, is tactful in the matter of handling dissatisfaction tending to lead to abortive risings and has been eminently successful in his intercourse with

H.E. Chang's promotion to Nanking is calculated to relieve the Cen-

TANG SHAO-YI.

ARRIVAL IN PEKING.

By cruricay of the " Sheung Po."]

Peking, 2nd July. Tang Shao-yi arrived in Peking on the 18th inst. He has brought back with him a number of standard and valuable works on currency and

VICEROY TUAN FANG.

AP LICATION FOR LEAVE.

[ By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."],

Peking, 2nd Ju'y, Viceroy Tuan Fang has tele-The story of the occurrence is that the band | graphed to the Grand Council praying for an application, in his behalf, amount of which is put at \$18. About half of two months leave of absence so that he might settle all pending of the spoils, and assuming a serious aspect matters at Nanking before starting

PROMOTING INDUSTRIES.

for his new post.

NEW OFFICE SUGGESTED.

[By courtery of the "Sheung Fo."]

Peking, 2nd July. At his audience with the Prince Regent, Viceroy Tuan Fang has resolved to ask for the appointment of a Superintendent of Industries whose duties it will be to proceed to the The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg. | South Sea and stimulate interest in

His Excellency will also suggest that the products of all native enterprises should be admitted into the

HIKE FLOAT.

TINDERS INVITED FOR NEW FIRE ENGINE.

According to a notification appearing in the Gazette, tenders will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until noon of Thursday, the 15th day of July, 1909, for the construction of the bull, propelling machinery and fittings of a fliating fire engine, in accordance with plans and spec-fications which can be seen at the Government Marine Surveyor's Office, Harbour Office. Loogth over all, 79 feet 6 inches; extreme breadth, 15 feet; depth moulded, 6 feet 6 inches ; extreme draft with tanks and bunkers fall, & feet 9 inches.

The tenderer most specify the time required by him to complete the work and the place at which the vessel will be constructed when submitting his tender. No tender will be considered unless the person tendering produces a deposit receipt from the Treasury (as a pledge of the bord fides of his tender) for the sum of Scoo. The successful tenderer will be: required to sign a formal contract containing compliance with the later requirements, the sum deposited with the tender will be fore

conditions to be prescribed by the Euperinlandent of the Fire Brigade and also to give security to the satisfaction of His Excellency the Governor in the sum of \$1,000. Walling

## Telegrams.

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

EX-SHANGHAI TAOTAI. SUFFERING FROM EYE COMPLAINT.

[By courtery of the " Sheung Po."]

Peking, 2nd July. Loung Yu-ho, ex-Shanghai Taotai, has applied for four months' sick leave in order to enable him to proceed abroad to consult an expert opthalmist.

TIENISIN-PUKOU RAIL WAY PIRECT RSHIP DECLINED. [Ry courten; of the " Sheun -Po."]

Peking, 2nd July

The acting Governor of Shantung, Shun Po-ki, has declined the appointment of director-general the Tientsin-Pukon Railway in addition as acting Governor on the plea that he cannot attend to th duties of the dual office.

Over sixty Germans are employ ed on the Tientsin-Pukou Railway

The representatives of Chihli Province has urged the Director-General to dispense with the services o the Germans in order to prevent foreigners from having any excuse to interfere with Chinese rights.

> CHIHLI PROVINCE. ALLEGED MALPRACTICES. [By courtery of the "Sheung Po."]. Peking, 2nd July.

The Prince Regent has given instructions to Acting Viceroy Na Tung to inquire into the alleged dethat when Viceroy Tuan Fang arrivthe investigations forthwith.

> PRINCE CHEN. ARRIVAL IN TOKIO. [By courtesy of the "Shewng Po."] Peking, 2nd July.

Prince Chen arrived in Tokio on the 1st inst., and will be received in audience by the Emperor to-day.

THE NORTH-GERMAN LLOYD. APPOINTMENT OF THE NEW.

MANAGING DIRECTOR. Heir Heineken, who has been appointed managing-director of the Norddeutscher Lloyd in the place of the late Dr. Wiegand, is the son of the late Dr. Johs. Heineken, who was the counsel and legal adviser of the Norddeutscher Lloyd. Herr Heineken was born at Bremen, on March I, 1860, and was educated in Bremen. He served his military service with the 1st Dragoon Guards in Berlin, after which he was employed for six years in the cotton firm of Messrs. de Jersey and Co, of Liverpool. By the end of 1886 the endeavour of the German cotton spinners to create their own cotton market in Bremen' induced him to return there, where, together with Mr. Johs. Vogelsang, he estab-· lished the cotton import and export firm of Heineken and Vogelsaog. . This firm soon extended, and became one of the largest cotton bouses in Bremen, with branches in the United States, Liverpool, Hamburg, and Havre. Herr Heineken was o'ected a director and afterwards vice-president, of the Bremen Cotton Exchange, which position he held until he joined the Board of the Norddeutscher Lloyd in 1902. In 1898, he was elected a member of the Bremen Chamber of Commerce of which he became president in 1905. In 1899 he way elected a member of the Diet. Herr Pelocken, who was in London during last week, has now left for the Continent. In an interview he observed that he saw no real : difficulty in a right understanding between the English and German people. except a lack of knowledge. He himself had spent many years in business here as a young man, and believed he knew something of the true feeling to both countries. All that was needed was that English and Gormans should know more of one another. As regards

THE appointment of Mr. J. H. Kemp as Registeer, Supreme Court, and Registrar of Compapies, sic. and Mr. B. D. C. Wolfe as acting Head of the Sanitary Department, and Mr. R. O. Hutchison as Assistant Registrar General. Mily steet fish the top diton is asselled

himself, he could not conceive of anything that

could diminish his attachment for a country

where he had spent so many happy years and

been sa well treated.

THE KAWASAKI DOOKTARD.

REPOR'ED ORDER FOR A CRUISER FROM CHINA.

The Chugai Shopyo learns on good authority that the Chinese Government has placed orders with the Kawasaki and Mitsu Bishi Shipbuilding Yard at Kobe and Nagasaki for the construction of one cruiser, each of 5,000 tons The Osaka Iron Works are said to have also received orders from China for three or four vessels of smaller size. The contracts are reported to bave already been signed.

COST OF LIVING IN BANGKUK

THE MOST EXPENSIVE PLACE IN

A remark frequently passed by visitors to lionals are unchanged. Bangkok who have been visiting in various places of the Far East," is that living here is more expensive than anywhere else at this side of Surz. No one realizes this fact better than old residents who have experienced how place. times have changed during the last couple of decade years. The fact that living has become so expensive in Bangkok may be attribu'ed to the rapidly increasing foreign commun'ty more than to anything else.

The number of foreigners resident in this capital has increased and multiplied to a remarkable extent during the last dozen years. increased. Prices of foodstuffs have gone up rates are £3. 15s. od. for preference and £2 by leaps and bounds. For example a fowl for deferred shares. China and Manilas have food bazaars for a salung would cost to-day I Sig. Star Ferries have been done, at \$26 tical. Eggs, meat fruits and vegetables have for old shares and \$15} for the new issue, exprisitantly high price. With such conditions [12], paid in London on 1st instant; Reuter's --- 2, The tender must state the monthly sumprevailing and having to pay high wages to Office wires a London quotation of 61s. 3d. for cooks who will also secure a percentage out | Name shares. Union Waterboats sold at \$11. of their employers' money at whatever cost, Refigeries.-China Sugars sold at \$135 to foreigner, are by no means triffing. House so for some years until such time as the urban buyers might be found. and suburban districts are well laid out and supplied with the class of cottages and other dwelling houses that would meet the public demand. In Saigon, Singapore and other places, neat cottages with beautifully laid out gardens add to the charming appearance and attractiveness of those towns, and the rent paid for such is very moderate in comparison to what is paid here for even comparatively small bouses, with no garden at all but a small compound. Still, we have much land around the city and suburbs where such cottages could be erected with much profit to the owner, and benefit to the public.

The fact that prices of native products rule high, and that labour is dear, is altogether to falcations in the Chihli Province so the benefit of the farming classes. A poultryfarmer, gardener or fisherman can make more money by his produce in the market in one es he will be prepared to prosecute day according to present rates, than he could formerly realize in a whole week.

The wages of domestic servants are much higher than ruling in the Straits, Indo-China or Hongkong. An excellent boy or cook can be employed at either of the above places for a salary of about from 15 to 20 ticals and here in Bingkok one cannot get even a third rate cook for ticals 30 a month. Coolin labour is equally dear, notwithstanding the constant influx of Chinese coolies into the country. This shows that there is room and to spare for all, and that such immigration should be encouraged than otherwise. Chinese are hard industrious workers; they readily adopt themselves to the manners and customs of the inhabitants and soon become useful facturs in developing the agriculural resources the land both to their own welfare and pro. sperity as well as to that of the country.

It is an excellent thing for Siam to encourage immigration of this kind, and with plenty hands to labour all round the cost of living would soon decrease here as elsowhere. - Siam

PREMIER AND PRESS.

R. ASQUITH'S TRIBUTE AT THE GALLERY

The Prime Minister, speaking as the chief guest of the Parliamentary Press Gallery at the annual dinner held at the Criterion Restaurant, said every day of every week of almost every month the liress Gallery told the world what they thought and what the world ought to think of the Pouse of Commous. But rare indeed were the occasions when they could tell the same world what the House of Comrons thought and what the world ought to think of the Press Gallery.

He had travelled the whole distance between the opposite extremes of pitiless condenation and literal transcription. He was not sure that if he were in the Palace of Truth he should not say the last stage was worse than the first.

He believed that the verdict of most. Parliamentary speakers would be that the kindly to be preferred to the cruel fidelity of 37 days' sight Sen Francisco & New York...431 verbatim report. But to a member of the House of Commons the shorthand writer. recording and accusing angel though he were, was in these days a less formidable figure than the picture que author of the descriptive summary. (Laughter.) . For one person who read the ordinary report a thousand read the summary and the sketch, and it was the hand that penned that sketch that not only made havoc of their reputations with their constituents but slowly undermined such precarious and dwindling remains of authority as they possessed in the domestic

circle. (Laughter.) What would the Press do without the Fouse of Commons? (Laughter.). The infinite variety. of personality which members of the House applied to the Parliamentary, scene constituted the raw material he hoped the untarable raw material-of their admirable and MACH Approprieted and

COMMERCIAL.

WEBKLY SHARE REPORT. In their weekly share report, of to-day's date,

Mesers, Erich Georg & Co. write :-Shares continued in fair demand during the week under review, but the volume of business has been only small. The sterling demand rate of exchange on Lundon closes at 18. 94d., while rates on Shanghai are the same as reported last. Bamilver in London is quoted 23fd., and Consols £84 7/16. The Bank of England's rate of discount remains 21 per cent, while the private market rate of discount is per cent.

Bank Shares.-Hongkong and Shanghais sold at rates ranging between \$1,000 and Si,010, and there are further buyers at \$1,025 the London rate has advanced to £97. Na

Marine Insurance Shares .- Unions sold at \$840 and \$8374, closing with sallers at \$8374. North Chinas are in request at Tis. 108. In other stocks under this heading no change has taken

Fire Insurance Shures .- Hougkongs are wanted at \$345, but are held for \$350. Chioas. changed hands at Szir, and shares are wanted now at \$112.

Shipping Shares.-Several hundreds of forshares of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company (etched "\$33, at which figure the market closes quiet with The trade of the port has also grown enormous- sellers." Indo-Chinas found buyers at \$56; the ly and the expense of living has considerably | Shanghai rate is Tls. 50, while the London which could be purchased formerly in the local reliers at \$10, while Douglases are quiet at also reached four times the price paid some Shell Transports have inquiries at 61s. ex vents ago. Fish, esp cially seefish, is sold at an the dividend of 3s. per share (coupon No.

the expenses of living in Bangkok for the \$140 cash, closing with further sellers at the higher rate; for end of October \$140 has been rent is also high and will be likely to continue I done. Luzons have sellers at \$15, but at \$13

Mining Shares. Charbonnages, as well as Raubs are unchanged Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's shares are quoted Tis. 81; the total output of the Company's three' mines, for the week ended 12th ultimo, amounted to 34,188 tons of coal, and the sales during the same period to 24,434 tons.

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.—Hongkong and Whampon Docks changed hands at \$644 and \$65 in the early part of the week; the rate jumping on Thursday to sales at \$70; yesterday \$68 has been accepted again, but there are more shares wanted. Gen. Fenwicks, as well as New Amoy Docks, are unchanged. Shanghai Docks have advanced to Tls. 82 in the north. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves have changed owners at \$561 and \$57, and have further inquiries at the latter figure. Shanghai and Hongkew Wharves bave improved to buyers at Tis. 1624 in the North.

"Lands, Hotels and Buildings .- Hongkong Lands sold at \$107 to \$108; at latter rate shares are obtainable. Kowloon Lands sold at \$30 and West Points at \$46} (in Shanghai shares sold at \$47). Hongkong Hotels, old, sold and have buyers at \$68; the new issue is wanted at \$18.. Humphreys' Estates have sales and buyers at \$92 and Shangbai Lands buyers at

Cotton Mills. - Shanghai quotes: Ewos Tls. 133, International Tis. 88, Lacu Kung Mows Tis, 110 and Socychees Tis, 37a. Hougkong Cottons have sellers at \$81.

Sundry Manufacturing Companies .- China Light and Powers changed hands at \$61 and \$51 closing with sellers at \$7. Hongkong electrics are wanted at \$20. Dairy Farms sold and continue in demand at Sred. Green Island Cements have sellers at \$3 and Ices at \$155. Ropes have been done at \$25. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged and without ransactions.

Miscellaneous. - China-Borneos sold at \$147. the Governor. and more shares can be placed. China Providents have been fixed at \$9.60. Old Peak Tram shares have buyers at \$14. Laughats are quoted Tls, 1,085 in the North. Watkins have been done at \$ 1 and \$11, closing with sellers at the higher rate. In other stocks under this heading no sales have been reported, and rates are the same as those given in our

> TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE Selling.

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America-Bank T.T.	42
Germany-Bank T.T.	1.79
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Singapore-Bank T.T. per H.K. \$100	75
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4 months' sight -

His Honour Sir F. T. Piggott, Knight, Chief Justice, has by Commissions signed by him, and dated the 30th June, 1909, appointed Mr. J. H. Kemp, Registrar of the Suprema Court of Hongkong, to be a Commissioner to administer oaths and take declarations, affirmations. and attestations of honour in the Court, and a Commissioner for taking acknowledgment by married women of deeds to be executed by them, so long as he shall hold the said office of Registrat es aforesaid

## To-day's Advertisements.

Colonial Secretary's Department HONGKONG, OPIUM FARM.

TOTICE is hereby given that SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, till Noon on TUESDAY, the grat day of August, 1909, for the purchase of the privileges known as the Opium Farm established under "The Prepared Opium Ordinances, 1801-1909," that is to say, the sole privilege of preparing Opium and of Selling, within the Colony, (including the New Territories), Opium so prepared inclusive of the privilege of collecting dross and of preparing and dealing in Dross Opium, for three years from the 1st of March, 1910.

Full information as to conditions of tendering; &c., can be obtained from the Colonial

A. M. THOMSON, Colonial Secretary.

and July, 1903.

CONDITIONS OF TENDERING. 1. No tender will be received unless the ten

derer produces a receipt from the Treasurer. (i.) A deposit of \$;0,000 or of Titla Deeds, or other approved securities to a like

(ii.) An agreement, to be executed by him 5. That the Grantee shall have only one estaon a form provided by the Treasurer, to blishment for boiling and preparing Opium : the effect that, if he should decline to accept a grant of the Farm on the terms of the tender sent in by him or fail to give the prescribed security for suchgrant, such deposit or securities shall be forfeited to the Crown.

Such deposit must be completed not later than Noon on the 30th day of August, 1909. All deposits will be returned to unsuccessful

offered for the Farm as rent. 3. The Government does not bind-itself to

accept the highest or any tender. 4. The successful tenderer shall before the rat day of January, 1910, deposit with the Treasurer approved security, either money or title deeds, to the value of three months' rent of the Farm for the due performance of the conditions on which the privilege is granted and of the stipulations or agreement in respect thereof and the security previously deposited with the Treasurer on the tender being received. will be retained until such successful tenderer shall have deposited such security. Particulars of the Security offered must submitted to the Trensurer before the 1st day of November, 1919, for the approval of the Government, and the security shall be in such form as the Treasurer may require. Title deeds

mitted for approval. 3. The Governor-in-Council will execute to the accepted tenderer a Grant in the form, or: as near thereto as may be, bereinafter set out.

use of a trade mark to be approved by the Governor-in-Council on all Opium prepared by

Conditions to be fulfilled by the Granice of the-Opium Farm, and the breach of which will. involve liability to the forfeiture of the Grant and of the Security deposited with the Treasurer.

( ) To pay the monthly fee regularly in advance, from the 1st day of March, 1909, on the first day of each month.

(2) To have no Raw Opium in possession except what is reported through the Imports and Exports Office; and, under the special permission of the Governor to exceed that amount is obtained, to draw not more than 920 chests of Raw Opium in each completed year of the Farm: if any Prepared Opium is imported into the Colony by the Farmer, an equivalent deduction must be made in the number of chests of Raw Opium drawn by him.

(3) Not to part with any Opium in the raw state either by sale or otherwise, but only Prepared Opium fit for smoking. (4) Not to grant to any person any licence

to boil or prepare Opium. (4) To have one establishment only for boiling; such establishment to be approved by

(6) Not to have loose Opium (as deficed by the Ruw Ogium Ordinaure, 1887.) elsewhere than in his boiling establishment or any Raw Opium other than that covered by removal

(7) To observe, perform and keep the provisions of the Raw Opium Ordinance, 1887 and of the Prepared Opium Ordinances, 1891

FORM OF GRANT.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, in Executive Council, send Greet-

WHEREAS, by the Prepared Opium Ordinances, 1891-1909, it is enacted amongst other things, that the Governor-in-Council may grant, in the manner provided by the said Ordinances, to any person, for such considerations and for such periods and in such form as, from time to time, may be determined by the Governor-in-Council, the sole privilege of preparing Opium, and of selling, within the Colony, Opium so prepared, inclusive of the privilege of collecting dross and of preparing and dealing in Dross Opium,-AND that the accepted bidder for, or the grantee of, such privileges, before he shall become entitled to the benefit thereof. shall give such security as the Governor-in-Council may require for the due performance of the conditions of such privileges and of his stipulations or agreement in respect thereof; AND WHEREAS the Governor-in-Council has accordingly agreed to grant-to-(hereinafter referred to as the Grantee) the privileges hereinbefore mentioned, and known as 

the Opium Farm, established under the said Propared Oplum Ordinances, 1901-1909, for the term of three years from the 1st day of March, 19to, inclusive), for the monthly sum on the conditions hereinafter contained: AND WHEREAS the Grantce has given the prescribed security for such grant to the satisfaction of the Governor-in-Council.

KNOW YE, therefore, that is pursuance of the said agreement and in consideration of the premises and of the payment by the Grantee of the monthly sum of

during the term hereby granted, and in pur- carried. suance of the said Ordinances, I, THE SAID GOVERNOR, by and with the advice of the said Executive Council, has given and granted and by these presents (the form whereof has been determined by me in Conscill under th

## To-dan's Advertisements.

seal of the said Colony for myself and my successors in the Government of the same, DO GIVE AND GRANT unto the Grantes, his executors and administrators, the sole privilege of preparing Oplum and of selling within the said Colony (including the New Persitories) Opium so prepared inclusive of the privilege of collecting dross, and of preparing and dealing Fine in Dross Opium, for and during the term hereinalter expressed, in conformity with, and subject to the Ordinances in that behalf provided, and to the following conditions and stipula-

I. That the said monthly sum of \$ shall, during the said term, be paid regularly in advance to the Colonial Treasurer and without demand on the first day of each calendar mouth, the first of such payments being made on the st day of March, 19 0

2 That the Grantee shall have no Raw Oplum in possession except what is reported through the Imports and Exports Office; and unless the special permission of the Governor to exceed that amount is obtained, shall not draw more than nine hundred chests of Raw Opium in each completed year of the Farm; and that if any prep red opium is imported into the Colony by the Grantes an equivalent deduction shall be made in the number of chests of Raw Opium drawn by the Grantee,

3. That the Grantee shall not part with any Opium in the raw state either by sale or otherwise, but only prepared Opium fit for smoking. 4. That the Grantee shall not grant to any person any licence to boil or prepare Oplum.

such establishment to be approved by the 6. That the Governor shall be at liberty at any time to depute such person or persons as he may think fit to supervise" the bolling and

preparation of Opium in the boiling establish-7. That the Grantce shall not have loose Opium (as defined by the Raw Opium Ordinance, 1887), elsewhere than in his boiling es--tablishment,-and-shall-not-have-in-his-possession or under his control any Raw Opium other than that covered by a removal permit authorizing the conveyance of such Raw Opium to

such establishment. 8. That the breach of any of the provisions of the Raw Opium Ordinance, 1887, or of the Prepared Opium Ordinance, 1891-1909, or of any rules or regulations made thereunder or of any of the above conditions or stipulations shall involve the liability to a forfeiture of the grant and of the security deposited with the Colonial Treasurer.

AND so as that the Grantee, his executors, and administrature, subject to such conditions and stipulations, shall and lawfully may have and enjoy the whole profit, benefit, commodity, and advantage, from time to time, during the said term, coming; growing, accruing and arising by reason of the said privileges, TO of land in any British Territory may be sub- HAVE, HOLD, USE, EXERCISE, AND ENJOY the premises hereby granted, subject as aforesaid, together with the power to grant licences as in the said Ordinances provided subject to such conditions as shall from time to as soon as the security has been completed to time be approved by the Governor-in-Council the satisfaction of the Governor in Council; and all other powers incident to the said priand the Granten shall sign a counterpart of vileges, and all benefit and advantage of the said Ordinances and conditions or any of them, 6. During the continuance of the privileges | unto the Grantee, his executors, and administhe successful tenderer shall be entitled to the trators, for and during and unto the full end and term of three whole years commencing with the First day of March, 1910: PRO-VIDED always and these presents are upon this express condition, that if, at any time during the said term hereby granted, the Grantee, his executors, or administrators, shall not upon his or their part or behalf, pay the said monthly rent at the time appointed or shall fail to observe, perform, and keep any of the said conditions and stipulations, or any of the provisions of these presents, or of the said Ordinances or any of them, then and in any or either of the said cases it shall be lawful for the Governor-in-Council to cancel these presents, and in such case the same shall forthwith cease, determine and be utterly void, save as hereinafter provided: PROVIDED always, and it is hereby expressly declared, that the said executors, or administra-

tors shall be and remain liable to make good to the Governor all losses and expenses incurred by reason of such default in payment or by reason of the non-observance or non-performance of any of the said conditions and stipulations or any of the provisions of these presents or of the said Ordinances, or by reason of any re-sale or re-grant of the said privileges which the Governor-in-Council may thereupon

make. PROVIDED always that in the event of the exportation of Raw Opium from India being so restricted during the term hereby granted as in the opinion of the Governor-in-Counci seriously to affect the business of the Grantee, the onus of proof whereof shall rest on the Grantee, the Grverner-in-Council upon the application of the Grantee, may reduce the rent payable under this Grant to such an extent or may modify the terms of this Grant in such other manner as to the Governor-in-Council may seem equitable,

PROVIDED also that in the event of the exportation of Raw Opium from India being prohibited during the term hereby granted and the Grantee not being able to procure sufficient opium for boiling the Grantee may give notice to the Governor-in-Council of his desire to surrender this Grant, and, if in the opinion of the Governor-in-Council such prohibition seriously affects the business of the Grantee, the onus of proof whereof shall rest on the Grantee. the Governor-in-Council may thereupon, or so soon thereafter as he may deem dezirable cancel the same. Nothing in the two preceding provisos is to be taken to mean that an alteration in the quantity of opium exported from India is to be accepted as prima facis evidence that the Farmer is entitled to reduction of rent or to a modification of the terms of this Grapt.

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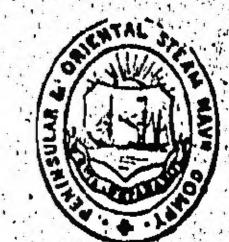
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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1909.

## Shipping.

Pheumpenh, Br. s.s., 1,065, J. H. Scott, 3rd July,-Saigon 29th June, Rice and Gen.- | Wo Fat Sing.

-Bangkok via Konsichang . 6th June, Rice and Wood.-B. & S. Mandasan Maru, Jap s.s., 4,552, K. Shimidzu,

3rd July, -- Milke 27th June, Coal, -- M. B. Knivsberg, Ger. s.s., 645, H. Niejahr, 3rd July,-Haiphong and Holhow and July,

Gen.-I. & Co. Foochow, Br. s.s., 1,228, Pottinger, 3rd July,---Moji 27th June, Gen.—B. & Co.

Chip Shing, Br. s.s., 1,199, F. Monney, 3rd July,-Tientsin 22nd July, Chefoo 25th, and Swatow and July, Gen.-J., M. & Co. Locksun, Ger. s.s. 1,020, W. Taeubert, 3rd July,-Bangkok 26th June, Rice and Meal. -M. & Co.

Quinta, Ger. s.s., 987, F. Frahm. 31d July,-Canton and July, Ballast .- S. & Co.

Clearances at the Rarbour Office. Lightning, for Singapore.

Shantung, for Batavia. Fooshing, for Wuhu. Halmun, for Swatow, Tacoma Maru for Keeling. Singan, for Hoihow. Dalet Maru, for Swatow. Rajaburi, for Swatow. Namsang, for Shanghai. Changehow, for Newchwang. Cambyses, for Moji! Hilary, for Saigon. Ichang, for Cabu. Empress of China, for Shanghaj. Huichow, for Swalow.

Chipsking, for Cauton. Linan, for Shanghai.

Departures Zafito, for Manila. Oceano, for Scattle. Victoria, for Haiphong. Kield, for Cheloo. Tacoma Maru, for Tacoma. Empress of China, for Vancouver. Lightning, for Calcutta. Namsang, for Shangbai, &c. Changehow, for Newchwang, Tilpanas, for Batavia. Gleneran, for Keelung. Spir. for Bangkok.

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Pageners arrived. Par Pheumpenh, from Saigon - Mr. Fleuriot and 360 Chinese.

Passengers di pirted.

Per Pring-Regent Luitpold, for Bremen, &c -Messrs. H. H. Arahold, Hans Bulow, B. Bresley, B. B. Butler, Bergstresser, Guido Bruipbacher, Chang, J. L. Chapmann, Cheng Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Cole, Major and Mrs. Cornwall, Mr. F. T. Chapple, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Dekzus, Messrs. M. C. Dekzus, Ewest, van El ten, Capt. and Mrs. W. Fretwell, Messrs. S. F Fisher, H. Friedrich; E. Gerz, R. Gatleluis, A v. Hofmann, H. Jungmann, B. Krug, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kwost, Mrs. Kolbe, Mrs. Kaumann Miss F. Kuchn, Messes. O. Lindner, W. C. Lingdon, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis and child, Misses E. de Olivieri, V. Palmer, Messrs. Poppe, P Pelz, Rotondi, Dr. Schneider, A. Schnefer, Sch chovsky, J. Symington, H. Sumwers and ton, Mrs. J. O. Seaton, Messrs. M. S. Tarbell, C. G. Thomson, Mrs. Consul da Vella, and Miss Helen Woodwall.

Shipping Reports,

Str. Mandasan Maru, from Milke :- S.W. monsoon outside.

Str. Foochow, from Moji :- Fresh S'ly winds and weather generally. Bir. Pheumpenh, from Saigon: - Moderate S.

Str. Chipshing, from Chefoo to Lat. 27' N. Stentor, Kintuck, Peking. light to moderate S.W. winds and fine weather Lat. 27° N. to Ocksen, moderate to strong S.W. wind increasing to S.W. wind Swatow to Hongkong light to moderate 8.W. wind and fine

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-Bangkok and Swatow 26th June, Rice,-

Cambyses, Br. s.s., 2,045, Bainbridge, 19th June,-New York and Sabang 25th April, Kerosine.—S. O. Co. Chinhua, Br. s.s., 1,348, A. Harris, 30th Juno.

-Canton 29th June, Gen.-B. & S. Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s., 847, H. Murayama, 1st July,-Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow 30th June, Gen.-O. S. K.

Derwent, Br. s.s.; 1,562, J. Jenkins, 22nd June, -Saigon 18th June, Rice.-Man Fat &

Elgin, Br. s.s.; 2,494, J. G. Potte; and July,-Newport 26th April, Coal.-Order. Friya, Nor. s.s., 710, C. S. Christenson, 25th June,-Bangkok 18th June, Rice,-Kean Thya Long.

Pooksang, Br. s.s. LQB7, F. A. Mitchell, 1st July,-Moji 26th June, Gen,-J., M. & Co. Hailan, Fr., s.s., 377, O. A. Hoeg, 26th June,-Holhow, 23rd June, Gen. A. R. M. Halmun, Br. s.s., 636, J. W. Evans, 2nd July, 6th July, I P.M. -Swatow sat July, Gen .- D., L. & Co. Haiphong, Fr. s.s., 864, Coutui, 2nd July,-Salgon asth June, Gen.-M. M. Halvard, Nor. s.s. 1,701, R. Roneberg, 1st Fooksang, 6th July, 2 F.M.
July, Bangkok 22nd June, and Hothow Keelung, Shanghal, Moji, Kobe, Yokkalchi, Joth Gen - Angerry, Thorses & Co.

Hilary, Gor. a s., 1,025, R. Hasje, 27th June,-Swatow 26th June, Ballast,-S., W. & Co. Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1,536, A. G. Smith, 26th June, -Moji 20th June, Coal.-J., M. & Co. Huichaw, Br. s.s., 1,217, H. Forsyth, 29th

Machew, Ger. s.s., 996, R. G. Zollner, 26th June,-Baugkok 16th June, and Swatow 25th, Rice,-B. & S. Muncaster Castle, Br. s.s., 3,050, P. Watson, 2nd July,-Philadelphia via Durban 30th April, Case Oil and Wax .- D. & Co., Ld.

June,-Canton 28th June, Gen,-B. & S.

Neumantia, Ger. s.s., 2,794; H. Feldtmann, 14th June,-Moji 8th June, Coal,-H. A. Nippon Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,452, W. E. Filmer,

29th June,-San Francisco via Ports 1st June, Mails and Gen. -T. K. K. Peiho, Ger. s.s., 800, R. Vassel, 30th June,-South Sea Islands' via Manila 28th June; Ballast .- H. A. L.

Phranaug, Ger. s.s., 1,053, Fr. von Mangelsdorff, 28th June,-Ilbibow 17th June, Rice. Prometheus, Nor. s.s., 1,024, H. Jensen, 2nd

July,-Bangkok via Swatow 24th June, Rice, Logwood and Salt. - Asguard, Thoresen & Co. Rajaburi, Ger. s.s., r, 189, H. Brewer, 25th June,

-Bangkok 18th June, Rice -M. & Co. Seminole, Br. s.s., 3,797, H. D. Clark, 1st July, -San Francisco and June, and Mororan 22nd, Bulk Oil,-S. O. Co. Simongan, Dut. s.s., 1,202, H. Vos, 20th June,

-Samarang 14th June, Sugar.-Yuen Fat Tango Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,627, S. Ishikawa, 22nd June,-Shanghai 19th June, Flour, Coal'

and Milk, &c .- N. Y. K. July,-Manila 29th June, Gen.-B. & S. Rajah, Ger. s.s., 2,100, H. C. Reh, r. Ard July, Vorwarts, Ger. s.s., 643, Ulderup, 30th June, Penang and Singapore 18th June, Gen. - 9 A.M.

> Yochow, Br. s.s., 1,206, Wavell, 29th June,-Moji 23rd June, Coal -B. & S. Yunnau, Br. s.s., 1,250, Jones, 1st July,-Swatow 30th June, Ballast.-B. & S.

SAILING VESSEL. Sumatra," Ger. schooner, 520, C. Nanev, 22nd May, - New Guinea 30th April, Gen.-M. & Co.

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DOCK RETURNS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.

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Macao-Per.Sul Tal. 7th July, 1.15 P. V. Kobe and Yokohama-Per Hinsang, 7th July, 2 P.M. Macao-Per Sui Tal, 8th July, 1.15 P.M. Shanghai-Per Yingchow, 8th July, 3 P.M.

fong, 8th July, 5 P.M. ston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelalde, Dunedin, Perth and Fremantle-Per Kamana Maru, oth July, II A.M.

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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

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dramayo, Ping Susy, Polynesten, Somali, Sumatra. Arrivals at Home-21st May-Goeben, Vorwaerts, Suruga, Hitacki Maru, 25th May-Albenga, Flinishire, Illyria, Banca, Sumatra: 28th May-Persons, Cathay, Glenroy, Ghazes, Renast Simons. 181 Juna-Hyson. 4th June - Bulow, Kanagawa Mars. 8th June -Katsow. 10th June-Palma. 11th June-Norman Prince, Tonkin. 15th June-Tranquebar, Machaon, Ambria, Tydeus. 18th June -Nubla, 22nd June-Hakata Maru Derto S.E. winds and sea, fine weather throughout, Minger. 25th June-Austria, Dacre Castle. 29th June-Bendoran, Indrasamha. . 2nd July

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Tientsin-Per Huichow, 4th July, 9 A.M. Macassar-Per Titlwong, 5th July, I P.M. Macao-Per Sut Tai, 5th July, 1.15 P.M.

Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin - Per-Chipshing, 6h July, 10 A.M. Europe, &c., India, via Tuticofin-Per Tourans, 6th July, 11 A.M. Swatow, Amoy and Foochow-Per Haitan,

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TO-MORROW.

St. John's Cathedral. 4th July; 4th Sunday, after Trinity. Holy Communion 7.30 A.m. Matins It a.m., Responses: Ferial, Venite: Lee, Psalms: of the 4th morning, Te Deum: Smart in F. Jubilate : Ouseley. Anthem :

Come unto Him "-Gouned Holy Communion 12 noon, Kyrle: Hayne in G. Hymns: 221, and 229. N.B.—Psalm 19, Verses 1, 12, 15 in unison.

, I, 2, 9, 13 .. Evensong 5.45 p.m., Responses: Ferial, Psalms; of the 4th evening (1). -- Magnificat: Smart: Nunc Dimittis: Felton: Hymns: 240, 228 and 23.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon. 4th Sunday after Trinity 4th July. Morning Service at 11 s.m. Holy Communion at noon by the Rev. W. H. Hewitt, B.D. No Evening Service. Services on Sundays during July, August and September are:

Holy Communion on 1st. Sunday of the

Morning Prayer at 11 a.m.

month at noon and on ard Sunday at 8 a.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Sunday Services 10,15 a.m., and 6.15 p.m. Preacher:-Rev. R. Ellison, . Sacrament of the Lord's Supper after the

Evening Service. Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street. Sunday 3 p.m. P. S. A. Speaker Mr. Munro. 8 p.m. Gospel Meeting, Mr. Nash. Monday 8 p.m. Fellowship Meeting, Tuesday 8 p.m. Wesley Guild Musical

Wednerday 8 p.m. Temperance Meeting. Saturday 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. St. Peter's Church.

Queen's Road West. Fourth Sunday after Trinity. Matins II a.m., Psalme; Monk, Aldrich, Woodward, To Deum; Hymns; Russell, Stain-

er, Benedictus; Barnby; Hymns, 46, 426, 594, Evensong 6.30 p.m., Psalms; Purcell, Turle, Hapkins, Deus, Gass; Hymns; 460, 196, 314,

24. Kyrie; Manuscript. Holy Communion ,7.45 p.m. The Church launch Dayspring will call on Coates, Mr. and Mrs. ships carrying white crews to bring friends Collins, J. ashore to the services between 9.15 and 10.30 Colman, Mrs. a.m., and between 5.15 and 6 p.m., (Kowloon | Davidson, T. A. Police Pier, 10.30 and 6 p.m.), returning after- Davies, F. wards. All the sittings are free and unappro- Davies, L. L. priated. Visitors are welcome. Books, &c., provided.

Sunday school to to 10.45 a.m. Roman Catholic Cathedral:-Mass at 6 a.m., -7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m., Benediction, Gowen, R. A.

5.30 p.m. German Bethesda Chapel, West Point:-Morning Service, II a.m.

St Francis' Church, Wanchai: - Mass (Chia) 6 a.m. (Port.), 7.30 a.m. Benediction, 5 pm. St Joseph's Church, Garden Road; -- Morning Service (English), 10 a.m.

St Anthony's Chapel, West Point :- Mass, The Resery Church, Kowloon-Every Sunday, Mass at 7.30 a.m. and Mass, followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacra-

ment, at q a.m. Union Church:—Services, 11, a.m., and 6 p.m.

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HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION:

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Name	CLASS.	Tons.	GUNS.	LH.P.	CAPTAIN	LAST REPORTED AT
Alexander	despatch-vessel	700	- 1	3,000	Commander C. T. R. Puller	Weihaiwei
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	river gunboat		6	. 900	Lieut. Commander F. B. Noble	Weihaiwel
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	river gunboat		1.2	240	Lieut, Commander R. S. Roy	YADRIA
Nightingale	tornedo boat destroyer		6.	6,300	Lieut. Commander B. J. Guy, v.c.	Weihaiwei
Robla	river gunboat		3	240*	Lieut. Commander J. White	West River
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Waterwitch	torpedo boat destroyer		1 7	: 5,900	Lieut, Commander C. A. Frem colle	Port Swettenham Weihaiwei
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	BANKS.  Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	Stas	<b>S125</b>	{	\$2,006,234	{Final of £2 and bonus of 5/-for 1908 ⊕ 6x 1/8}=\$26.024	51 %	{St,025 buyers London £96.10/
	National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	.∡6	{	. \$10,223	\$2'(London 3/6) for 1903	•••	S5x
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	Ohina and Manila Steamship Company, Limited  Douglas Steamship Company, Limited		\$25 \$50	\$25 \$50	\$7,000 \$264,638 } \$399,067 }	51 <sub>1</sub> 0g5 Nil	21 for 1906		Sto sellers \$36
*	Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steambort Co., Ld	80 <sub>1</sub> 000	sig .	Srs	\$607,500 \$607,500 \$79,423	\$20,279	Final of 12 making \$21for 1908	71 %	S33
	Indo-Ohina Steam Navigation Co., Ld. (Preferred)	60,000 60,000	£5	£s	\$25,344 } {210,000} {240,000}	£13,755	6/- for 1927 on Preference shares only @   ex 1/9,11/16=\$3, 154	5 71 %	\$66
	Shanghal Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	100,000	Tis. 50	Tis. 50 £1.	Tis. 75,000	Tls. 14.510	Final of Tls, 14 making Tls, 34 for 1938 { Final of 2/- for 1908 and interim of 1/- for } a/c 1909	1 7 %	Tis, 52 sellers Tis, 53 buyers 60/- ex div.
	"Star" Ferry Company, Limited		\$10 \$10	\$10 \$5	{6;,000} {6;,000} - \$48,98; Tir. 98,000}	\$3,121	\$1.00 for year ending to.4. 1909	31 %	\$15
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	China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	61 22 1	Sion Sion	\$100 \$100	{ \$350,000 \$56,848}	Dr. \$5,858	\$5 for year ending 31.12.08		\$140 sellers
	Perak Sugar Oultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tis. so	Tis, ço	none Tis, roo,000	Dr. \$135,893 Tls. 9,173	Tis. 31 for year ending gr. 8.08	****	Tis. 260 sales
	Mining,  Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ld	4	Li	13, 01/81	{ 175,000 } {12,189 }	£11,556	Interim of 1/6 (coupon No.12) for year anding 29.2.09	7 %	Tis. 181 sollers
÷	R tob Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	1 \$D,000	¥2.	Li	£4,878	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/-=48 cents	**************************************	S9 sellers
	Penwick (Geo.) & Co.; Limited	18,000	<b>5</b> 25	<b>5</b> 25	\$4±,976	Dr. \$7,421	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	•==	512
Ÿ	Hongkong & Kowloon Whari and Godown Co., Ld.,	60,000	550	<b>\$</b> 50	\$ 550,000 \$26,806 \$40,000	\$10,102	Final of \$13 making \$33 for 1007		\$57 buyers
	Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company, Ld	\$0,000	: \$50 Tis. 100	Sça Lis. 100	\$200,000	\$ 187,078 Tls. \$3,742	Final of \$4 making \$8 for 1908	121 % 61 %	568 buyers Tis. 82
	Shanghal and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited		Tis. 100	Cls. 100	C Tis. 607.257	Tis. 22,818	Final of Tis. 6 making Tis 10 for 1908	61 %	Tin. 163
	Lands, Hotels & Buildings.  Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ld.	25,000	Tis, 100		Tis. 15,000	Tls. 4,134	Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2,09	54 %	Tis. 104 sales
91	Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghal)  Bentral Stores, Limited	30,000 50,115 17.000 8,000	\$15 \$15 \$50}	525 515 507 525	\$30,000 \$1,000 \$543,975}	Dr. 4,233 \$24,611 \$195	\$2\frac{1}{2} for year ending 30.6.07	***	\$68 ex w.i. ss. \$38 b. new
	Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ld Humphr vs Estate & Finance Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	3100 \$10	\$250,000 \$211,172}	\$26,475 \$5,486	Final of \$31 making \$7 for 1908		\$103 sellers \$91 sa. and b.
	Mowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000 78,000	\$50 Tis, 50	Sjo Tia jo	\$45,361 } none Tis. 1,523,045 }	\$278	Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making Tls. 8 for 908	64 %	S30 Tis. 120 buyers
	West Point Building Company, Limited		\$50	<b>\$</b> {a	Tls. 312,000 \$	\$1,968	Final of \$3 making \$4 for 1908	017	\$46} sales
0	Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ld Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dysing ] Company, Limited	15,000	Tis. 50 - \$10	Cls. 50 Sto	Tis, #50,000 } Tis, #5,939 } \$20,000	l'ls. 8,820 \$9,553	Tis, 5 for year ended 31.to. 1908		Tis. 133 \$84 sollers
	International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ld	8,000	Tis. 100	Tis. 75 Tis. 100	Tis. 175,000	Tis, 8,372 Tis, 4,829	Tis. 6 for year ending 30,9.06 (8%)		Tis. 88 soliors Tis. 109 soliers
	Hiscellankous.	30 H	Tis. 500	Tis. (00	Tis. 31,172	Tls. 15,911	Tls 50 for 1906		Tis. 375
9.5	Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	60,000	512/6 512 510}	13/6 513 5107	- £1,500 \$40,000	£648 Nil,	1/10 per share for 1907=1.037 \$1.30 or 1908		\$10} \$141 \$7 sales
111	Do. Do. special shares	125,000	\$10 \$10	\$15 \$10	10ne \$100,000 \$\$10,000}	\$61,138 \$8,407	80 cents for 1208	8) %	\$9.60 sales \$16‡ buyers
H	Green Island Gement Company, Limited	400,000	\$74 \$10 \$10	\$6 \$10 \$10	\$3,000	\$48 \$3,756	Final of 50 cents making 90 cents for 1908,, 75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	10 %	\$9 sollers \$12
	Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20. \$10	\$20 \$10	\$5,000 \$186,000	\$8,957 \$8,957	\$2 for year ending 29,2.09	91 %	\$21 buyers \$20 buyers
	Hongkong Ice Company, Limited		\$25 \$10.	\$15 \$10	\$150,000 \$20,000	\$5,195 \$7,616 \$8,790	Final of \$15 per share making \$19 for 1908. Final of \$1 per share making \$2 for 1908	121 X 81 X	S155 sellers S25
	Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	Gs. 100	Tis. 547,500 } Tis. 63,914 }	Tis. 216,682	{ and Quarterly div. of Tis. 13} for account }  1909	1 1 N	Sigh buyers
	Shanghal Gas Company, Limited	75,000	Sia Sia Tie, sa	Tis. 50	none Tis. 100,000	Ps. 18,640 Tis. 0,601	None	61 %	Tis. 113 sales
	Shanghal-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls, 20	Tis. 20	Tis, 24,820}	Tis. 5,250	Final Tis, 5 making Tis, 8 for 1908		Tis. 166 sales Tis. 415 buyers
	South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	515 5 5	\$25 \$ 1	Tir. 220,000 none none	Tls. 23,038 Dr. \$56,602 \$236	None	8 %	\$24 \$5 buyers
	Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000 (0,000	210	Tis. 100	Tia, 15,295}	Tls. 201 \$172	Tis. 61 for year ending 30.4.07	***	Tis. 94 buyers Str buyers Str sales
	Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited		210	\$10	\$35,000 \$300,000} \$25,000	\$1,360 \$2,613	Final of 30 cents for 1908	61 %	\$8.70
	William Powell, Limited	(5,000	57	87	1	\$3.95	{ Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts, for the } { year ended 30th June, 1906	184	S4 sollers
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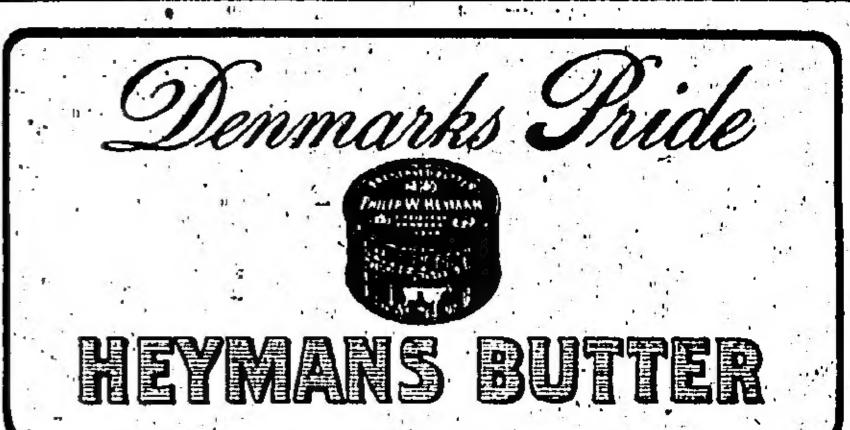
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DOCKING COMPLITION.

(26th June.)

The recent communication from our Manila correspondent regarding the tenders | desirous of seeing the University established for the construction of steel lighters and a | would not be abated, a contingency which river steamer for the Philippine Government, will have convinced the most sceptical of the keen competition now existing between the numerous shipbuilding and re- This is as it should be and only shows the spirit pairing yards in the leading ports in the Far | which actuates the promoters of the scheme. no less than four bidders for the Manila kong, as a central point where students contracts, viz., three British firms and a from various parts of the Middle Kingdom corporations, and while it cannot be to belittle the feasibility of the project stances the Japanese have made no murmur, balance sheets, showing as they did tempted firms with illimitable resources at recognised on all sides, but the necessary basis, when the Budget for that financial in the earlier days of their existence, had to hearted co-operation met with on every hand struggle against difficulties from which they | the minimum amount required for a start is ultimately emerged with success. So great; now practically assured and it remains to be however, has been the rush to employ capital | seen to what further extent assistance will in extensive repairing and building yards with | be forthcoming in order to enable more than their up-to-date plant and machinery that it | the originally contemplated two chairs for may fairly be considered that the number of such establishments now existing in the principal ports of China is far in excess of actual and prospective requirements of the shipping which is passing through a periodof such severe depression. We have left out of long information may be available for pubconsideration such establishments as the Ad- Lication which should be of interest to those miralty Dock in Victoria, the American dry- who are looking forward to the successful dock Dewey at Cavite, and the German float- accomplishment of the project. ing dock at Tsingtau, all of which are maintained-for-work-required by vessels of the respective Governments concerned. As if Far Fastern competition is not in itself a sufficiently serious factor to engage the earnest attention of the management of the important industrial institutions we now learn that there is every probability that Vancouver in the near future will be provided with an up-todite drydock, with accompanying machine shops, etc. The proposal has been in the air for some time past, and is now understood to be taking definite form, as it is stated that negotiations are in progress in Ottawa. The sum which will be expended on the on the conditions prevailing during the dicate which is to undertake work is headed by Mr. Nicol P. Thomson, of Vancouver, and the site which has been selected is the Ross and Howard Ironworks, on Burrard Inlet. Some time ago an option was taken on this land, and the deal will be put set forth with much perspicacity. Trade with through within a short time, as it is proposed to start work on the undertaking this summer. The dimensions of the proposed drydock are not yet known, but it is believed that it will be of a capacity to take in all the merchant vessels which go to British Columbia waters \_\_ It is believed that the new dock will be large enough to accommodate the empress liners and any mishap overtakes them in local waters they will be able to effect repairs at Vancouver. At present, whenever the docking of these vessels becomes necessary, they have to wait until they reach Hongkong. The establishment of this dock at Vancouver will mean a great impetus to the shipping business of that port. It was arranged for over two years ago, when the Dominion Government made an appropriation. The fact that the scheme is now on the eve of consummation is due in large measure to the representations made by a Vancouver delegation which recently visited Ottawa and laid the matter before the Government. Hitherto the C. P. R. Co. has been one of the best constitutents of the Hongkong shipyards; their periodical docking for the Board of Trade survey and annual overhaul has been the means of keeping a large number of hands profitably employed over at Kowloon. What the loss of the three liners may mean to the interests affected, it is, of course, by lack of funds. About May and June, impossible to say; but it is sincerely to be trusted that a Company which is capable of serving the C. P. R. so efficiently and economically in the past will have a moral claim upon the directors of the steamship concern for consideration in the future. Apart from the purely moral aspect of the question, viewed from the commercial standpoint it is very over Hongkong in point of economy in

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drydocking or repairing the world-renowned

boats of the Pacific when occasion arises.

Hongkong fund. We took the opportunity though our export trade with the United respublished Shum in the Viceregal yames burglary with 24,101, 16 and 4 cases, in Plug Chau Island has done much to remark that it seemed rather strange that | States looked promising from May, that at Canton Quang Jen Chun within the first | respectively; while under murder, robbery, towards bringing this from May, that at Canton Quang Jen Chun within the first | respectively; while under murder, robbery, towards bringing this from May, that at Canton Quang Jen Chun within the first | respectively; while under murder, robbery, towards bringing this from May, that at Canton Quang Jen Chun within the first | respectively; while under murder, robbery, towards bringing this from May, that at Canton Quang Jen Chun within the first | respectively; while under murder, robbery, towards bringing this from May, that at Canton Quang Jen Chun within the first | respectively; while under murder, robbery, towards bringing this from May, that at Canton Quang Jen Chun within the first | respectively; while under murder, robbery, the first | respectively; while under murder | robbery, the first | respectively; while under murder | robbery, the robbery | rob

hold good should have been withheld election, so that the trade remained on the very nearly strain the good relations between robberies show an enormous increase from a right to know the progress of the thus, our home and foreign trade was de- China and Japan. We allude to the continues to be rife in the Colony and scheme, when the same information was pressed throughout the year, the prices l'atsu Maru affair, which might well be 132 warrants were executed and convictions would doubtless have arisen had it been an productive industries generally; the deopen secret that there were fully six, months longer in which to send in subscriptions. medicine and applied science to be created. We have good reason to believe that the General Committee have not remained inactive during the interval of silence so far as the general community is concerned and that before

JAPAN'S COMMERCIAL. DPVELOPMENT.

Last year we reviewed at some length the general fiscal and economic condition of Japan as evidenced from the annual report issued by the Department of Finance. That report showed that commercial activity had been retarded by the element of speculation which was entered into by many reputable companies, with the result that there followed a season of depression. From the report undertaking is \$1,250,000 Gold). The syn- financial year 1908.9 it is evident that the \$45,000,000. With regard to trade general- ed in the matter of education. So there for assault, I for receiving a bribe, and I for bubble era has passed and given way to a more stable and satisfactory method of business. The report is quite candid and states that the year started amid general depression due to a variety of circumstances, which are China was at a standstill owing to the depreciation in the price of silver and copper, while the American and European markets were just recovering from the panic which originated in the United States. It is stated that there was a reduction in the sale of goods owing to the dulness in trade, resulting in a gradual accumulation of the stock of raw silk, cotton yarn, textile fabrics and most other goods intended for home consumption or for exportation abroad. that with its colonies and dependencies of the rich province of Szechuan the same engineers and stokers (average strength 144) We learn from this official publication that cotton mills contracted their operations. textile manufacturers also reduced their output, and there was no trade in which the difficulty of carrying on its work was not felt; and, especially, those enterprises which to yen 236,506,000 (£24,224,726), or 29 per suffered by the terrible calamity which reduced convicted by the Police Magistrate, one for had been expanded after the war were mostly fallen into a pitiable condition. About of trade; and as to home markets, towards the end of the financial year when, from considerations of the national receipts and expenditures, capital is absorbed by the National Treasury, the banks, observing the economic conditions since the beginning of the year, became very cautious and did their utmost to recall their loans. From these circumstances the money market grew very tight and not a few banks were embarrassed although the general situation showed as yet no sign of return to its normal condition, the rate, of interest, on deposits had previously been raised and, moreover, the money for. (£21,182,833), or nearly one fourth of her retiring Viceroy Canton has progressed both Bay. One European sergeant was granted the redemption of the first series of Ex., total foreign trade. Japan's trade with China as a commercial and industrial centre. chequer Bonds and the interest on the showed a considerable decrease on that of estimated purchase-price of railways were the preceding year, but in the circumstances paid out, so that the banks had now some that was to be expected. On the whole, the doubtful if Vancouver can offer inducemeta surplus funds in hand; and this fact, toge- report, indicates that Japan is making ther with the trade depression, kept the strenuous efforts to reach that commercial Government planned and published a scheme Kingdom of the Orient, for financial readjustment and redemption of the national debt, which produced a good! impression both at home and abroad and not In our issue of the 16th inst., we made only raised the market prices of national reference to the fact that Mr. H. N. Mody loan bonds and all other negotiable papers timewe reproduced some interesting comment not sufficiently so to lead to any great ad those who have followed with intelligent in year, of 64 cases, or 1.93 per cent. in the Station was at once followed by a numfrom the birmingham Post of the 16th May, vance in commercial dealings. We read forcest His Excellency's short course of ad- former, and of 1.914 cases or 23.24 per cent. bef of influential petitions for its retenthe gist of which was to the effect that the that "in the foreign trade market, the de ministration in the neighbouring province. In the fatter. The decreases were shown then the Bay alone has given much kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation), of a China Association in London was endea. preciation of silver still went on and the Following the government of the reteran under the heads of unlawful possession, trouble, but the enforcement of Bectlon

learn that this step was taken in deference to shown a general downward tendency fell gotten past but for its connection with twelvemonth. The estimated value of pro-Mr. Mody's express wish to temporarily with- suddenly again at the end of the year. And the initiation of the administration of perty stolen during the year was \$199,211.10 hold the eminently satisfactory news with a so, while commercial transactions were far the subject of our notice. More closely as against \$141,353 98 in 1907. There was view to hurrying the rate at which subscript from brisk, the banks kept their funds in connected with Hongkong, however, His a susceptible diminution in the number of tions were couling in. It was thought, and hand, and, moreover, the National Treasury Excellency Chang was brought into prominrightly so, that in this manner, the ardour | threw a considerable sum of money upon | ence-soon-after-his arrival at the Southern which more or less fills those who are the market by the redemption of the Capital by reason of his negotiations with first series of Exchequer Bonds, &c., and Admiral Sir Arthur Moore for the suppresas no new ventures were made in mand for capital was very small and bank deposits increased so that the money market became more inactive than ever." What will strike the observer of affairs Japan-East. Hongkong alone was represented by When the idea of a University for l'ong- ese is the acquiescence of the people in the large, fast-steaming cruisers for the efficient raising of taxes to meet current liabilities. policing of the waters of the West and Pearl In Britain, because it is proposed to increase | Rivers. Though the exchange of com-Chinese. While Shanghai, Singapore and could congregate in the general desire for the duties on spirits and beer, to raise the munications between the Government of 4 hearses); 1,118 truck licences; 589 and Manila were represented by two each, | knowledge, was first mooted, the concensus | income tax and to make the wealthy bear | Hongkong and Canton in the matter of sub- | Hongkong chairs; 60 Hill District chairs; respectively. For some time past docking of opinion pointed to the conclusion that the burdens of the poor, there has been an sidiary coinage has not resulted to the entire accommodation in China waters was vest- the majority of those qualified to speak on outery against the Government, but aled in what amounted to monopolistic the subject with authority were inclined though placed in somewhat similar circumsaid that these companies employed their from the difficulty of ensuring the but paid the taxes like the good patriots advantageous positions to enforce a tariff £110,000 within the limited period. The tre- they are known to be. As the report states, of exactious charges, their half yearly mendous possibilities for an increased im- with the object of maintaining for the future portance which would unquestionably ac- | the balance between the annual revenue and | undertaking made to Sir John Jordan by the remunerative profits to the shareholders, crue to the advantage of Hongkong were expenditure and strengthening the financial Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Peking. It was their command to made a hold bid in order | wherewithal with which to realise this highly | year was made up, plans were on the one | for a greater output of the silver tokens within to capture a share of the trade once exclu- desirable scheme was the only and the main hand made, for increasing the revenue and the province that the provincial mint renewsively enjoyed by the pioneer companies who, difficulty to be encountered. Thanks to whole, on the other all expenditure other than the ed the normal output of the subsidiary curmost urgent were reduced, the already-fixed rency, which, unfortunately, continue to continuing expenditures were, by altering the find their way in large quantities into this annual sums to be disbursed for the purpose, Colony. As manifesting the cordial relaspread over as many years as possible, the tions which have subsisted between the issue of public loans was avoided, and the two interdependent ports of Canton and deficit which was unavoidable was met by means of increased taxation, for which pure more to assist in the building of wrote: "The conduct of the European conpose the tax on "shurui" (different kinds of the Chinese section of the all-important tingent (average strength 126) was very good. "sake"), was raised by three to ten yen, the sugar excise was also raised by one yen to predecessors. Fully alive to the necessity was 37 as against 56 in 1907. There were two yen and a half per hundred kin, a con- of rapid communication between the two 6 reports for being drunk or under the sumption tax of one yen per kuko was imposed upon kerosene, and the sale price of promote the interests of the inhabitants of 2 for sleeping on duty as against one, I the monopoly tobacco raised by thirty per | the vast territory under his administration, | for disorderly conduct and 8 for neglect of cent; and further, plans were made for the redemption of the first series of Ex- interest in the commencement and building gent (average strength 388) was on the whole chequer Bonds which amounted to yen of the railroad that has gone far to the good. There were 401 reports as against -97,000,000 (£9,935,471). Both the revenue | early completion of this most important | 465 for the preceding year. For drunkenand expenditure of the Budget for the finan- undertaking. The pregnant address which ness there were 88 as against 6x, for disorcial year 1908-9, including those of the he delivered on the memorable occasion of derly conduct 30, as against 23, for neglect supplementary. Budget, which had been made the laying of the foundation stone of the of duty 33 as against 52, for absence from up on the above-mentioned lines came to Canton terminal station in April last shows duty 38 as against 51, for gossiping and yen 619,797.671 (£63,484.346; and if to the true spirit which animates the Viceroy idling on duty 77 as against 91 and for this ishedded yen 6.990,748 (£761,045), the in regard to the progressive notions he holds | sleeping on duty 24 as against 40; 178 amount of the supplementary Budget passed for the material advancement of his people. men had no report. Fourteen Indian Contotal for both the revenue and expendi- progress but he is ever watchful of their trate (to dismissed from the Force):- I for ture comes to 626,788,419 (£64,200,391). moral and intellectual well-being. Abundant obtaining money by false pretences, I for The returns show that there was an excess, evidence of this fact is found in the allowing a prisoner to escape, 3 for giving in revenue receipts over estimates of some tangible proof he has just recently furnish- false testimony, a for disorderly conduct, 5 ly it is stated that there was a slackening in oughly sympathetic has His Excellency larceny. The behaviour of the Chinese exports to foreign countries but it is satis- Chang Jen Chun been towards the Hong: contingent (average strength 328) was fair. an increase of yen 3,078,000 (£315,272) on the Chinese people, in particular to those of reports for drunkenness as against 5, 112 for with that country stood at yen 107,795,000 a promised donation of \$200,000 subscribed disorderly conduct as against xx, and 374 (£12,041,176), which, though it was a de- by the provincial departments of his Governcrease of yen 8,451,000 (£865,615) on the ment and is believed to be exerting his in- sergeant interpreter was convicted by the preceding year, was the largest volume of fluence to secure another like amount from Police Magistrate for larceny and ir Constyear and the total amount of Japan's | Kwangsi." It is to be hoped that His Excel- - I for allowing a prisoner to escape, 3 for asexport and import trade with Great Bri- lency Chang will translate his practical sym- sault, 2 for robbery, 2 for larceny, 1 for absence tain was equivalent to 16 per cent. of pathy towards the University scheme to the from Station and duty, and 2 for misconduct. the total foreign trade. The sum of her new sphere of his activities and thereby of men of this contingent were not reported export trade with Great Britain and secure from the wealthy gentry and populace during the year. The seamen, coxswains, themreached year 65,054,000 (£16,906,074), friendly attitude in his foreign relations may report (same as last year), 106 for absence so that the total trade with Great Britain | be cited in the assistance which he and his from station and late for duty as against 102 Hawaii, the total comesup to yen'1 27,535,000 (£13,063,095); and the imports from the United States amounted to yen 77,637,000. (£7,952,166', which, if the imports from the Philippines and Hawaii are added to them, countries reached in 1908 yen 205,808,000 money market very quiet during the first success which she deserves, and everything half of the year. In the second half-year the! points to increasing prosperity for the island

VICERDY CHANG JENGHUN.

(3oth June.) The promotion of His Excellency Chang

sion of piracy in the Canton Delta. How successful those negotiations had been was seen in the arrangement concluded with the then Commander-in-Chief of the British South China Squadron, which provided for a flect of patrol launches and guard-boats, besides ing of small coins in conformity with the not until the mercantile class in Canton urged Hongkong, the present Viceroy has done by the Governor. This is what Mr. Badeley Canton-Kowloon Railway than any of his neighbouring tradal centres, and anxious to influence of drink as against 16 in 1907. the aged Viceroy took that lively personal duty. The conduct of the Indian continsuccour. Not only have the inhabitants of that Japan's total trade with these three gably in their interest. There are evidences

CRIME IN HUNGRONG.

(ret July.) youring to secure subscriptions for the trade with China remained inactive; and Chow Fu, who succeeded the energetic and larcenies, folonies not already given and 29 of the Local Communities Ordinance the information that Mr. Mody had gener- country had not completely recovered from weeks of his administration was brought face largeny from dwelling and kidnapping and into order. This section of the Ordinance of the character of the trade depression and un- to face with an international problem which protection of women and children there are was also applied to Sheung Shiu | but the

that gentleman's conditional offer was to | derwent, the excitement of a presidential at one time threatened to be so acute as to | increases of 1, 19, 56 and 5 cases. Gang the Hongkong public, who have whole inactive to the end of the year. As, the two neighbouring friendly Powers of 6 cases in 1907 to 26 last year. Gambling sent to and published in England. We now which had since the beginning of the year now relegated to the limbo of the for obtained as against 147 in the preceding search warrants for prepared opium, last year's figure being 1,821 as compared with 1,057 for the year before. As showing the diverse character of police duties it may be mentioned that the department had to deal, with no less than over 20,000 applications for various forms of licences, which in detail were as follows :-1,175 for Hongkong jinrickshas. . (Reduced by 100 on 1st June, and 75 on 1st December, 1908.) 50 Quarry Bay jinrickshas; 250 Kowloon jinrickshas; 25 private vehicles (16 carriages, 5 motor cars and 3 gharis, and 17,350 drivers and bearers: satisfaction of British merchants and traders | they are continually coming and going. in this Colony, it must be conceded that, hence the large number of the latter. yielding to the representations in the interest | In addition to the foregoing 1,760 dogs were of the Oolonial Government, Viceroy Chang licensed during 1908, 17 watch dogs were ordered the temporary stoppage in the mint- licensed free of charge, 114 dogs were destroyed, and 134 stray dogs were impounded and restored to owners or ransomed. The finger impressions system is still

pursued by the Police, which accounts for 158 males and one female being identified as, having previous convictions against This number is 26 less than during the year 1907. As might have been expected the conduct of the police could not fail of commendation at the hands of the head of the department as it has been the subject of favourable comment The total number of reports against them at the twenty-fifth session of the Diet, the Not only does he aspire to their material stables were convicted by the Police Magisfactory to note that the export trade to Great | kong University project, which is destin- There were altogether 1,044 reports, as Britain rose to yen 25,521,000 (£2,614,053), ed to be of such incalculable benefit to against 1,086 in 1907. There were two the preceding year, while the import trade | South China, that he has come forward with | sleeping on duty as against 104, 17 for for minor offences as against 356. One import trade with any single country for the the mass of the people in Kwangtung and ables (9 dismissed) for the following offences: came up to yen 71,452,000 (£7,318,652), measure of support that has been forthcom. had 215 reports as compared with 228 for and the sum of Japan's import trade with ling from Canton. Another instance of his last year. For drunkenness there was no. and its colonies and dependencies amounted Government tendered to the Italians who in the previous year. Three seamen were cent, of the total foreign trade; from which Messina to ruins in the earthquake at the assault and two for larceny. 45 had no report fact it may be inferred how intimate are, the | beginning of this year. When his own pro- recorded against them. His Excellency the March or April, the exports of Japan to commercial relations between the two coun- vinces were visited by disaster, such as the Governor was pleased to highly commend South China suffered generally from dulness | tries. The export trade with the United States | catastrophic floods and devastating typhoons | the Police for services rendered by them duramounte 1 to yen 121,997,000 (£12,495,850), of last year, the sympathetic Viceroy showed ing the typhoon of the 27th July, the boywhich though it shows a decrease of himself most solicitous of the necessities of cott riots of the 1st and 2nd November, and yeng 100,000 (£932,091) on the preceding the Chinese who were reduced to frightful on several other occasions during the year," year, was the largest volume of export trade straits. 'He did not content himself with The rewards meted out to the memwith any single country, and if we add to it receiving reports from his subordinates, but hers of the Police do not appear to have the export trade with the Philippines and Viceroy Chang made it a point of personally been either indiscriminately distributed visiting the shocking scenes of distress and or too liberally granted, a fact which allegiating all whom it was within his power to. certainly tends to enhance their value. We learn that one inspector was granted a medal Kwangtung evoked his interest and sympathy for long and meritorious service, one inspecin their hour of trial and distress but in mat- tor and one European sergeant were comcomes up to yen 79,273,000 (£8,119,738), so | ters commercial also he has worked indefati- | mended by His Excellency the Governor and granted medals for services in the Sha that under the wise administration of the Tin murder case and the robbery at Tailong a reward for plucky arrest of an armed burglar after receiving severe injuries. "One Indian sergeant was granted a reward for zeal and intelligence displayed in a case of larceny. One Chinese sergeant was grant-The report which has been submitted to ed a medal for good work done in connec-Government by Mr. F. J. Badeley, the Cap- Ition with an assault case, one Chinese tain Superintendent of Police, for last year sergeant was granted a reward for zeal and shows a satisfactory diminution in the num- activity shown in recovering stolen property ber of crimes committed in the Colony, or, and six Chinese constables were granted more properly speaking, that have been rewards for plucky confuct, zeal and brought to the notice of the zealous officers activity shown in the discharge of their duties. of his Department. The total number of The report concludes with a reference to all cases was 9.56a as against 11,540 in the New Territories, on which the District had thought fit to extend the period for the in Japan, but also brought about a brisk Jen-chun, Viceroy at Canton, to the Vice- 1907, being a decrease of 1,978 or 17.14 per Officer reports as follows: Serious crimes collection of subscriptions for an Endow- sale of Japanese bonds abroad and gave royalty of the Liang Kiang in succession to cent. In the division of these cases into is less than ever, and the presence of the ment Fund for the proposed University from an upward tendency to their prices, H.R. Tuan Fang, at the present juncture is serious and minor offences, there appears a Police is now understood and appreciated, the grant of the removal of Au Tau, the gold of the year. At the Matters improved as the year progressed but a kircumstance which will be regretted by decrease, as compared with the preceding. The rumour of the removal of Au Tau,

conditions in this case were not so much those of serious crime as of defiance of the Police. The effect of the application has think been excellent, as showing the villagers that the Government does possess an effective weapon for dealing with conspiracy and passive resistance. The co-operation of the Chinese officials over the border has also been of the greatest value to us; and the feeling that China no longer offers an asylum to the criminal is responsible in no small degree for the orderliness of the Territory.

## CHINA'S POSTAL SERVICE.

We have received a Yallow-Book from the Commissioner of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs relating to the working of the Imperial Post Office during :1908. The report is the work of Mr. T. Piryt Postal Secretary, who in the opening paragraph of his valuable review states that the predominating feature of the year, has been a solid and substantial increase in every branch of postal work. The total number of establishments has been raised from 2,803 to 3,493; postal articles-letters, postcards pewspapers, books, and sampleswhich for 1997 totalled 168 millions, have reached 252 millions, a striking a lyance, which speaks well of future possibilities. Parcels have increased from 1,920,000 to 2,455,000, weight in kilox being 7,155,000; against 5,509,000 previously reported] with a corresponding increase in value this large advance is the more notable having regard to the recent rule for the compulsory insurance of parcels of the value of \$30 or over. Chinese letters in clubbed mails bave risen from 6 to 8 millions, the number of mails being 415,000, as compared with 341,000, with a gross weight of 83,000 kilos, against 74,000, which shows not that native postal hongs are flourishing at the expanse of the Imperial Post Office, but that the are taking more advantage of the facilities affords. Money-order transactions have considerably increased, representing, in issued and cashed a total movement of funds of no lors than 5 million Haikwan taels, or half a million over the figure for the previous year. Revenue itself shows considerable advance, in better proportion, as development increases from year to year, with the working expenses; and this notwithstanding the swelling of the latter, due to various improvements introduced in general organisation and a general rise of the salaries for the native staff last Sepregularly at all points, and but few peculiar difficulties are to be recorded. The report then proceeds to deal in detail with the Northern districts which we may pass over for the present. Dealing with the South, Mr. Piry writes :- South Ohina, consisting of the provinces of Fukien, Kwangtung, Kwangand Yunnan, records an increase o 204 establishments, to million articles, and 99,000 parcels, progress being principal. ly attributable to the first two provinces, Fuklen, divided into three postal districts-Santuao, Foochow, and Amoy-shows a slight advance on the returns of the preceding year, but financial results are not yet up to expectations. Progress is slow among these mountainous districts, with, excluding the ports, population impoverished and illiterate. Moneyorder business at Foochow increased considerably, whilst at Amoy 55 Box Offices were opened and steady increase was recorded in both mail matter and parcels. Kwangtung, a rich province, maintains exceptional progress. The postal districts within its borders are Swatow. Canton-administered by a Postal Commisfeature of the year was the opening of the and merchants, both Chinese and foreign to 570; mail matter, from 16 to 22 millions

Postal operations; were carried on slover, with jurisdiction/lover the sub-districts Wuchow, Samshui, and Pakhoi-and Klungchow, on the island of Hainan. At Swatow mail matter increased from 1,800,000 to 4,100,000; parcels, from 50,000 to 87,000. A postal premises in May, performed by the Circuit Taotal in his official capacity, in the presence of all the officials, leading residents, The popularity of the Service is spreading and great keenness has been manifested on the part of the young natives of the province to be enrolled as Clerks in the Post Office. Canton has done spleudidly and keeps up its reputation for advancement and progress, both in receipts and substantial work. In the whole district establishments have increased fron.407. and parcels, from 145,000 to 177,000. In the Canton district proper 114 new establishments have been added, mail matter has increased by nearly 6 millions, and parcels by 30,000, in Heungshan and Shuntak sections alone there are now 130 postal establishments functioning. Native letters posted in Canton for Hongkong number 60,000 more than in the preceding year, figures the more satisfactory as heretofore Chinese correspondance with Honkong was small. Pakhoi has increased its establishmonts to 28, and mail matter, reaches 430,000 articles. The postal extension necessary is this small sub-district is now practically complete. Kiungchow, on the island of Hainan appears to have a very limited field, its operations not numbering over 126,000 articles; but the district is now a paying one. In Kwangs province a policy of vigorous extension has been pursued. Wuchow (sub-district to Canton) has opened 30 new Agencies, and both mai matter and parcels have increased. . Lungchow, a district poor, desolate, and sparsely populated, his opened six new Agencies, and increased its mail matter from 40,000 to 110,000; a remarkable and creditable progress under the circumstances, Yunnan province has also not been dormant, despite adverse circumstances in the shape of disturbances in Tonkin, the occupation of Hokow by the so-called Reformists during April and May, and the abnormal rise of the Red River in November, devastate ing Maphan and Hokow and causing great dostruction to the railway between Yen Bay and Laokal. Mail matter in the Mengtez district increased from 855,000 to 1,247,000, and parcels, from 9,000 to 25,000. The sending of heavy mall vid Halphong instead of vid Yochow has I tack for the opening of a Bank and been much appreciated by the public, as the and Tengyuch, on the borders of Burme, prises in the Three Eastern Provinabove-mentioned figures testify. Both Stemas have done as well as can be expected from | Con. such remote and inaccessible districts Then above review plainly shows that the Imperial Postal Institution is rapidly gaining in importance from year to year: it now enjoys full recognition in the country as the regular and natural channel for the franamission of correspondence; officials, patronise it and extend to it a cordial support. Competition with mative agescles may even be said to have wirtnally nessed, victory memololog for the mational Post Office t for it is now demonstratad that minichili will anly continue to flourish at places that have not yet been tapped by the Post Office, or in the carriage of bullion, sycee, ates which it does not care to compate for s they, tdo, recognise the new order of things and begin to less on the Post Office, using its lines for the transmission of their clubbad, packages. These are satisfactory respits, which, were con-

good, the coprier lines reliable and numeropes. but there is a general cry for office accommodation and space. Many improvements are wanted in buildings, whi h should be more spacious, more advantageously located; and of better appearance in the great cities of the luterior. It is hoped that the opening year will afford the means to attain these ends In comclusion, results for the 34th year of Kunng Hell-1908-bave marp: then instified the Expectation held out in previous reports. The Bretts wear of the new reign of His Imperial Majasty Hellau Tung opens with bright augury to the Imperial Post Office:

## Telegrams.

'HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE:

TUNGKUANSHAN MINES.

A DEADLOCK.

[By courtery of the "Showing Po."]

Peking, 25th June. Some time ago a certain Minister ? Sir John Jordan] asked that the Tungkuanshan mines should be worked jointly [by the British syndicate and Chinese].

Grand Councillor Na Tung called on the Minister and opposed the

The Minister deferred discussion by stating that it would be necessary for him to consult Sir John Lister Kaye before discussing the question

Sir John Lister Kays is prepared to surrender the Tungkuanshan concession, but he demands an enormous amount for compensation

The representatives of the Anhui Province maintain as firm an atti- from the offer. tude as ever in this matter...

RAIL WAY MATERIALS.

DUTY FREE.

[By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Peking, 25th June.

The Ministry of Posts and Communications has decided that railway materials for all Provinces shall, for a period of three years, be admitted free of duty.

GERMANY IN SHANTUNG.

RAILWAYS AND MINES.

[By courtesy of the " Shoung-Po."]

Peking, 25th June.

The German Minister has represented to the Waiwupu that, in building railways within the Shantung Province by China, it was expedient that all funds required should be borrowed from Germany and engineers should be engaged in Germany also, and all mines should be worked by Germans as before...

No reply has been given by the Waiwupu to the Foreign Minister's communication.

CANTON-HANKOW.

RAILWAY.

THE LOAN AGREEMENT.

[By courtery of the " Shoung Po."]

Peking, 25th June. Chang Chih-tung proposes to treat the proposal to raise loans for the Canton-Hankow Railway as cancelled in view of the fact that so many countries are desirous of participating in the loans. His idea is that the money should be raised by the people among themselves.

DEVELOPMENT OF MAN-CHURIA.

TLS. 10,000,000 REQUIRED.

[By courtery of the "Sheung Po,"] Peking, 25th June.

H.E. Sik Liang, Vicercy of Manchuria, has applied for ten million the cetablishment of industrial enter-

The Ministry of Finance has replied that as the amount asked for is a large one, the Ministry must take time to consider the application.

VICEROY OF CHIHLI. HE YEUNG SLIGHTLY BETTER.

[By courtesy of the "Showing Pos"].

Poking, 25th June: H.E. Young Shih-Chang, Vice-

roy of Chihli, is alightly better but has not yet regained his speech. The Prince Begent proposes to alido appoint Vaceroy Tuan Fang de at an earlier date and in greater proportion appoint another official to act for was Wio toy of Chittin H.H. Puan's close was at appeared. The alliculty at Wicerow Yening hit has not only of the base beauty at the contract of the contr Viceroy Young, but has not quite place being filled by Chiu Yes sun, esermone developmental The methode are made up his mind.

SHENSL VICEROYALTY

SING, YAN'S RESIGNATION. [By coursesy of the "Shoung Po. 1]

Peking, 27th June-Ministry of Posts and Communica, of American

Li declined the Vicerovalty which was then given to Cheung Kang. VIOLATION OF PRESS

> LAWS. DRASTIC PUNISHMENTS.

[By courteby of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 27th June.

In a memorial to the Throne, the Ministry of Justice has pointed out that the editor of the offending vernaoular newspaper, Tong Kai-sing must serve ten years in prison owing to the serious nature of his offence.

MONEY FOR CHINA.

A BRITISH OFFER.

[By courtesy of the " Sheung. Po."]

Peking, 27th June.

A representative of British financiers has arrived in China and has offered to the Chinese Government a sum of fifty million | ? dollars | without security but at a special rate of interest. Nothing definite has so far resulted

SCRAMBLE FOR LOANS.

AMERICAN INTERESTS.

By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 27th June. American representatives have repeatedly called on Chang Chih-tung urging their desire to participate in

CAN. N-HANKOW RAIL WAY.

China loap:

JAPANESE SUPPLIES.

[By courtery of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 27th June.

A communication has been received by the Waiwupu from Japan to the effect that certain Japanese financiers have formed a powerful syndicate to supply the Canton-Hankow Railway with materials.

As so many representatives of various Powers have evinced a desire to participate in the loans, Chang Chihi tung is rather perplexed and is at loss how to act.

THE INFANT EMPEROR.

STUDIES NOT TO BE INTERRUPTED.

[By courtery of the" Sheung Po;"]:

Peking, 27th June.

The Grand Councillors have asked that, in view of the excessive heat no lessons should be set for the Infant Emperor.

The Prince Regent would not countenance the suggestion.

VIOEROY OF CHIHLI.

IN EXTREMIS.

[By courtery of the 4 Sheamy Po:"]

Peking, 27th June. Vicer y Yang Shih-chang is not

better and is still unable to speak. Later. Viceroy Yang is in extremis.

The Viceroy's Beal has been taken over by the Treasurer.

MISSIONARIES IN CHINA: PROPOSED TREATY REVISION.

[By courtety of the "Sheung Por"]

Peking, 28th June. I he Grand Council has instructed the Waiwupu to revise the Treatical in respect to the preaching of Christi-

anity in China. The Waiwupu observing difficulties in the way has not yet made any reply.

CHIHLI VIOEROYALTY, TUAN, FANG MENTIONED.

[By courtesy of the " Sheung Fig."]

Peking, 28th June, It is proposed by the Grand Conn-Viocity of Execution

TEA.

FREE OF DUTY TO U.S.A. [By courtery of the "Shenge Ra"]

Peking, 28th June. H.F. Wu Ting Fang, Chinese Mi-Upon accepting Sing Yan's re- nister to Washington, has reported signation as Vicerov of Chensi and that the United States Government Kansu, the Prince Regent offered the has revised the Customs regulations appointment to Li Tin-lam, who was so that tes from China may be import. until recently acting President of the ed daty free into the United States

> VICEROY OF HUKWANG. GOVERNMENT SOLICITOUS. [By courtery of the " Shaing Po."]

Peking 28th June An Imperial decree has been issued inquiring after the state of health, of H.E. Chan Kwoi-lung, Vicercy of Hukwang.

OBITUARY.

GOVERNOR OF HONAN.

[By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Kaifeng (Honan), 28th June. H.E. Ng Chung-hi, Governor of Honan, is dead.

PRINCE OHEN.

ARRIVAL IN JAPAN. [By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Nagasaki, 29th June. Prince Chen arrived at Nagasaki on the 28th inst, and was accorded a hearty reception by the Japanese. Prince Chen left on the same day for

LATE VICEROY YANG.

BODY ENCOFFINED. [By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Peking, 29th June. The remains of Yang Shih-chang, late Viceroy of Chihli, were encoffined on the

28th inst. Peking is quiet. Grand Councillor . Na Tung proposes .to receive his instructions and proceed to Tientain to day to take up the appointment

VICEREGAL CHANGES. CHANG JEN-CHUN'S TRANSFER.

as acting Viceroy.

By courtesy of the " Shoung Po."]

Peking, 29th June. The Grand Councillors at first recommended Chiu Vi-shun as Viceroy of Nanking, but in view of the importance of the Province of Szechuan the Prince Regent assigned the appointment to H.E. Chang Jen-chun, Viceroy of Liang Kwang, with Instructions for arrangements to be made so that the reins of administration may be taken over from Viceroy Tuan Fang as soon's

An Imperial decree was issued on the 28th inst. appointing Tuan Fang Viceroy of Chihli, Na Tung to perform the duties of the acting appointment until the arrival of the Viceroy designate.

By the same decree H.E. Change Jenchun, Viceroy of Canton; is appointed Vice. roy at Nanking and Yun Shih fun, acting Vicercy of the Two Kwang.

Shum Po-ki receives appointment at acting Governor of Shantung.

ANOTHER PORT. A FRENCH APPLICATION.

[By courtesy of the "Shoung Po."] Peking, 29th June.

Certain French merchants have asked that Ta-chin-lo, in Szechuan province, be opened gs a treaty port. Viceroy Chiu Vi-shun is favourably dis-

posed towards the application. The Waiwupu has, however, telegraphed to Viceroy Chiu to oppose the application. CANTON VICEROYALTY.

CHANG JEN-CHUN'S TRANSFER. [From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shameen, 30th June, Yuan Shu shun has been appointed Vice-

roy at Canton in succession to H.E. Chang Jen-chun transferred to the Liang Kiang vice H.E. Tuan Fang.

KANSU. DROUGHT BROKEN.

[By courtery of the "Sheung Po."] Nangchow (Kansu), 30th June.

inst. to the great joy of officials and people. gather this year. The grounds will be lighted [The prolonged drought experienced in the Province had almost reduced the people; to the verge of cannibalism, according to native reports .- Ed, H.K.7.]

NA TUNG ARRIVAL AT TIENTSIN [By courtery of the " Shaung Po."]

Peklug, 30th June.
Na Tung arrived at Tipotsin yesterday and Ir to assume duties as acting Viceroy to-day. WEIHAIWEL

BETROCESSION DESIRED. [By courley of the "Shound Po."] Poking, soth June Prince Hhu is determined to obtain the

The majority of the Grand Councillors concur in his views.

The amount demanded [by Great Britain] however, as compensation for the territory is so enormous that it requires time for the consideration of the matter.

EDUCATION IN SHANTUNG

THE TSINGTAU COLLEGE. [By, courtesy of the " Sheung Po."].

Peking, 30th June. The Waiwupu has notified the Board Education that Germany has agreed to endow the Tsingtau College and that instructions be issued to the Governor of Shantung to proceed with the establishment of colleges within his territory as soon as

VICEROY TUAN FANG. REPORTED APPOINTMENT AS

GRAND COUNCILLOR. [By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Tientsin, rst July. It is reported that the Prince Regent has decided to appoint Viceroy Tuan Panagi: as Grand Councillor and Na Tung as Viceroy of Chihli, and that an Imperial edict will be issued to that effect as soon as Viceroy Tuan Fang arrives in Peking.

TIENTSIN-PUKOU RAIL WAY MANAGEMENT UNCHANGED.

[By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Peking, 1st July. Shun Poki, who has been appointed acting Governor of Shantung, will continue to manage the Tientsin-Pukou Railway.

NA TUNG.

INDISPENSABLE AS A GRAND COUNCILLOR.

By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Peking, 1st July. It is reported that Na Tung cannot be spared from the Grand Councillor.

As soon as he has taken over the scal the Viceroyalty of Chihli, he will return to Peking and at the capital transact all business in connection with the Viceroyalty.

MINING CONCESSION... PARTICULARS WANTED. [By courtery of the" Sheung Po,"]

Peking, rst-July. The Ministry of Agriculture, Commerce and. Industries has issued instructions to the Provinces asking for particulars of the terms of all negotiations with foreigners respect to mining concessions, within recen

CHINA AND SWEDEN THE COMMERCIAL TREATY. [By courtesy of the " Shrang-Po."]

Lun Fong, Vice president of the Waiwu pu, has been given plenary powers to draw up the Commercial Treaty between Chini and Sweden. -

Peking, ret July.

VICEROYALTY OF CHIHLI. SELECTION OF INCUMBENT.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 1st July. It was the Prince Regent's original intention to appoint Luck Chin um as acting Viceroy of Chibli, but I uk declined on the plea of old age. Whereupon the Regent offered the acting appointment to Na Tung who made the same excuse, but His Imperial Highness succeeded in persuading him

to accept the office. TIENTSIN-PUKOU RAIL WAL THE STAILON QUESTION.

Peking, 1st July: The representatives of Chihli Province are agitating for the removal of the Tientsin-Pukou Railway Station.

[By coursesy of the " Shoung-Po!]

lum support their attitude. KOWLOON HOTEL

INDEPENDENCE DAY,

Both Chang Chih-lung and Luk Chi

As usual the Management of the above popular hotel will celebrate the "Glorious Fourth! on Sonday next in an olaborate manner. They will be "At Home" to their American and other friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. An Open Dinner (weather permitting) is atranged to, be served on the Lawn at 8 p.m. The menu will be up-to-date and the 105th M. L. I. Band, specially engaged for the There was a heavy fall of rain on the soth year on the 4th July a similar one should forewith Kitson lamps.

PLAQUE IN 1000

OFFICIAL STATISTICS. We have been officially supplied with the following statistics regarding plague in the Colony for 1909 1-

Tal Kok Tau ....... Hoog Bom ..... Harbour .... 

Of the 30 cases returned from the City of Victoria of ware imported from outside the Colony and ant least coms across from 300% retrocession of Walhairel for a maral base. Liens.

## Macao's Delimitation.

MEETING OF BELF-GOVERNMENT

SUCIETY.

DRASTIC RESOLUTIONS FRAMEDI

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, joth June.

At I p.m. on the 20th instant, a public mass meeting was held by the Canton Belf-Government Bociety in connection with the FalsAan incident and the Macao delimitation question. There was present an exceptionally large number of people of all classes. Chan Chung Kwei and Chan Wai Po were unanimously elected chairs: man and vice chairman, respectively. Several gontlemen made speeches on the two burning questions of the hour before the assembly. The speedbek were couched in strong terms and were followed with considerable interest by those present. After considerable discussion, three resolutions were passed, of which the following is a free tradslation :- (1.) With reference to the Fathan incident, when a Chinese passenger was murdered by a Portuguese, the Portuguese Con ul is believed to have regretted the unfounded allegations made by him against the members of this Society, that being the cause of his delay-in-giving a reply to cour continued representations addressed to him It is now ime to communicate again with him on the subject. In the event of his failure, this time to give a definite reply, it should be made known to the people in various places, as well, as in other countries of this circumstance, and s joint telegraphic memorial will at the same time be submitted to the Imperial Government urging it not to recognise the official status of the Postuguese Consulat Canton (2) The people should be prohibited from visiting the pleasure resor's and the gambling dens of Macao, for which object more circulars should be distributed as a warning to the public and a number of members should be sent to different places as well as to the interior to deliver spacches on the subject. (3.). The Portuguese on several occasions bave encroached on Chinese territory, thus violating the Chino Portuguese Treaty. Negotiations will inhortly be entered into by the imperial Chinese Delimitation Commissioner with the Rortuguese Covernment . We should now firmly maintain our attitude in the matter. In the event of the Portuguese not consenting to restore to China the territories that they have encroached upon, we should institute a boycott against the Portuguese and refrain from visiting the Portu-

guese Colony in future. After ter had been served the meeting anded, Half-a-dozen men were, also, nominated, at the meeting to proceed to the interior to deliver speeches in connection with the two vexed grestions.

COMMISSIONERS' AMENITIES:

A ROUND OF VISITS. The meeting of the Portuguese and Chinese Commissioners who have been appointed by their respective Governments to settle the question of the boundaries of Macao took place yesterday when General Joschim Machado, the Special Commissioner with Seption Depos trio Cinctii. Assistant Commissionemand Capt. Norton, private Accretary, accompanied by Senhor J. J. Leiria, Consultator, Portugal, called on His Excellency Ko Yu-him, the Chinese Commissioner, at "Glenealy" Buildings. The visit was made in the afternoon and a pleasant time was spent by the Com-

missioners to an agreeable interchange of

interpational amenities: 🧺 Later His Excellency Konand sultages welling General M. chado and staff were the gueste of Mrs. Leitin, wife of the Portuguese Consul, at " Duart," when the distinguished visitors were entertained to a parely infomal tos. Madame Leiria as a hostess is well-known for her charming hospitality and the pleasant ness of the afternoon was enhanced by an agreeable company mot together under such happy auspices—a circumstance which it is sincerely to be boned, will mark the course of negotiations when the Special Commissioners are met to discuss the more serious aspect of the mission for which they are met in ! ongkong to-day, In the forencon to day, H.E. Ko Yuchim accompanied by Capt. Wn, his secretary, and staff, returned General Machado's call officially at "Kingsclere." . The reception was out in keeping with the high rank of the Chinese delegate. After the customary complimentary. greetings, refreshments were served and the

General Machado with Mr. Norton then called on Mr. Harris, the Commissioner of the Chinese Customs, to thank that gentleman for his formal visit. That concluded, the round of officiel calls was continued. Cousul Lairia accompanied the party to the Court Flours ona visit to the Chief Justice, who, however, being then engaged in Court, was unable to receive the visitors, A call on the Hon Mr. W. J. Gresson, managing partner in Hongkong

of the firm of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ld. completed the foreboon's round. When There is no likelihood of the Commission commencing its sittings this week, as we undera and that the Chinese Commissioner proceeds to Canton by the ordiser Klang Zathis evening and may be away three or four days. The purport of the visit is to tender congratulations to H.E. Chang Jen-chun on his recent. vicerpus! in the meantime invitations bave pheen

issued to the leading members of the Chinese

community in Hongkong to an official dinner

at Government House on the 15th inst A DOG WITHOUT A LICKNOR KOWLOOK LADY SUMMONED

In the Police Court, to:day, iP. C. Pepperell occasion, will discourse special selections of summoned, Mrs.; Reed, residing at 12: Namen music during and after dinner. Special silken | Road, Kowloon, for keeping a dog in her house souvenirs will be given away to diners only. without a licence. It was only the other day The huge crowd; that assembled there last that a case was brought to the notice of a lacal Kowloon by an unmuzzied dog ! this mountage case therefore throws fresh light on the applect of keeping dogs without the very necessary adjunct of a licence.

When the case came on for bearing, those present in Court were treated to the following duologue between Mr. F. A. Herefred, the presiding magistrate, and the defendant Mr. Hareland-Do you admit not pomenting

Defendant. The dog does not belong tools. Maritagelande Domyou committee to animal being destroyed? Defendant It is not is a fit condition to be Mr. Martiander How long has it been in your

Defendant Since last Ma ch. Mr. Hasslandy-That is in long Alma . And you say that the P.G. took out the stramons Defendant 1, had my reasons for saying so The P. C. came to my house when my he was out. He would not wait for my husber

but took a summone tight a wager for a light of the first fire the state of the same of th

## West Point Godown Ablaze:

FOOK ON COMPANY'S WAREHOUSE GUTTED.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE.

Word was received at No. 7 Police Station shortly after five yesterday afternoon, at 5.29 to/be exact; that fire had broken out at 428 Des Voeux Road, in some godowns where quantity of goods belonging to the Fook On Insurance and Godown Company was stored The fire-brigade from that station, in charge of Inspector Robertson, with their usual promptitude, at once proceeded to the scene of the outbreak; the contingent from the Central Fire Station under Chief Inspector Baker and As sistant: Engineer A. Lane at the same time leaving its station.

... On arrival at the scene of the conflagration, it was discovered that the fire had originated in some godowns just beyond the Gas Company. We are told on good authority that the fire must have been burning for a considerable time before it had been discovered. The first floor was found alight from and to and from Des. Vœux Road along to Queen's Road, and here "the: bulk "of ; the coperations "was directed. The upper storey contained a quantity of sandal-word, tobacco, cotton wool fand ratting. On the ground floor was stored raw sugar and ground-nuts. The top floor was entirely burnt out while the ground floor, was damaged by water only. The strong muster of firemen had a tough time in getting the flames under control, and despite a continuous stream of water which was brough to play on the most dangerous parts of the burning structure, huge tongues of firmes shot out occasionally and provided excellent speciacular effect. The fire was got under after about two hours of hard fighting, and the fitemen did not leave until long after midnight, the fire even then continuing in a smouldering state and the wise precaution was taken of leaving a man; on watch all through the remainder of the night. One cause which militated against the effectual putting out of the fire was the preseace of cotton-wool in the godowns, which tended to spread the flames to a considerable

It is not known as to how and where the fire originated. The goods, which were stored in the godowns were at the time insured for about, we are given to understand, \$73,000, in the Fook On Insurance Company. There were other goods, however, we learn, which at the time of the outbreak was not covered by in surance and so this figure cannot be taken as representing the total amount of damage done. The extent of the damage caused by the fire is not known.

NEW SHANGHAL DOCK.

ANOTHER ESTABLISHMENT OPENED. The N. C. D. News of '28th ulto. says !-Yesterday afternoon the Yangtizepoo Dock which has recently been completed by its proprietors, the New Engineering and Shipbuilding works, was formally opened. The ceremony was a modest one, only a few invitations having been issued. The bad weather, however, did not prevent a good attendance of speciators and on the occasion of the opening of a dock, which leads an amphibious life dur ing its existence, the rain could not be regarded as an unfavourable omen. Some five small vassels had previously been on the blocks, but the docking of the C. N. S. Kinling was the official commissioning of the new enterprise.

The Kinling, which was gaily decked with flags, worked in slowly but easily. Half way up the dock a white ribbon had been stretched from side to side, and the parting of this fictitious barrier was the signal that the dock was open. While still a short distance from the bstacle the Kinling, as if conscious of the solemnity of the occasion gave forth a successlop of waird poises by the crunching of her side against the fenders at the entrance. When the ribbon had parted and the ship was safely In dock most of the visitors proceeded to the entrance to see the steel caisson hauled into position. In this unpretentious mapper was new dock opened to Shanghai shipping.

The assembled company then adjourned to the work's office where champagne, light refreshments and smokes were dispensed by the Staff. Mr. H. Archold in proposing prosperity to the Yangtszepon Dock thanked the guests for their presence. The construction of this dock, he said, was probably a record for China as it was only just over twelve months since the ground was broken. Work had proceeded day and night when weather permitted and nothing untoward had occurred during the period of construction. The company was fortunate in profit ing by the experience gained in the building of other docks in Shanghai, and was able to guard against every risk. When one dug down thirty feet into Shanghai mud and left a large area exposed it was impossible to tell what might hannen. Mr. Blechynden, who very much wished to be present on this occasion, had unfortunately found it necessary to take a holiday in New Zealand owing to ill-health. In con clusion, great credit was due to Mr. McMurdo the dock-master, for the manner in which he had carried out his duties, and to Mr. Reynolds and his staff for designing everything necessary for the construction and equipment of the dock

· Captain R. Nelson, acting Marine Superin tendent vof "Messrs. Butterfield and Swire was the only other speaker and he propose the same toast, remarking that the construc tion of this dock showed the business enterprise and courage of the company. He hoped that would get a fair share of the work done Shanghai: Needless to say both toasts were

enthusiastically honoured. The principal dimensions of the Yangtzepoo Dock are as follows: length on blocks 452ft.; width of entrance-bottom 65 ft.; coping 70 ft.: depth to floor, 27 ft.: of water at ordinary spring tides on 3 ft. blocks, roft. Work on the dock was begun on May 22~1908:0 The interior consists of mud terraces and planks, and the entrance is closed by a steel caisson, the only one of its kind in Bhanghair "This caisson is equipped with electrical pumps, which are operated by connections with watertight plugs on either side of the entrance. The calsson floats in oft. of water, and as there are slways to ft. on the blocks, the dock can be opened at shorter notice than any other in Shanghai.

The pumps for emptying the dock have been constructed on the premises and are placed in an antine-house on the west side. They conalst of two 22 tock contribugal pumps, driven by compound surface condensing engines; and car discharge 18,000 gallons of water a minute. With a vessel of moderate size on the blocks the dock can be emptied in from two to two

and a half bours the Color is worth and for 14 de the intention of the New Engineering and Shipbuilding Works to Improve its plant by installing sufficient new machinery, etc., to copeywith every kind of work that comes its (ways) A feature of the dock is the sanitary accommodation for the use of the crews of versels ander received There is a bathroom with hot and cold water laid on; and electric light is provided all nound. Ships in dock can be supwhich has a capacity of yo tong of filtered water. Vicercy in Tientein.

THE BIFUNBXCHANGBAND LOAN COMPANY.

CHIEF JUSTICE'S JUDGMENT.

The Chief Justice delivered judgment last Monday in the case in which an appeal was brought before the Full Court by the Hip On Exchange and Loan Loan Co. Ld., and the Hongkong and Manila Yuen Shing Exchange and Trading Co., Ld. (appellants) Li Po Yung being respondent.

The appeal was brought for the reversion of a judgment, delivered by the Chie Justice in an original action in so far a it directed :-- (1) That the sale by the appellants to Kwok Yik Ting of certain property, the subject of a counterclaim, be set aside, and that the consequent entries be made in the Land Office Register; (2) That the appellants' claim. as plaintiffs in the action, bed dismissed as against the respondent Li Po Yung with costs and '(3) That the appellants and Kwok. Yi Ting (the defendant to the counter claim) pay to Li Po Yung his costs of the counter claim.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, & C., now away from the Colony, instructed by Mr. H. . I Dannys (of Messrs, Dennys and Bowley) originally appeared for the Hip On and Yuen Shing Companies. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. D. Atkinson (of Mesers, Deacon, Looker, and Deacon, represented Kwok Yik Tjug. Messrs. M. W. Slade and E. Potter, instructed by Mr. F. Paget Hett. (of Messrs. Brutton and Helt) appeared for L

In the course of a lengthy, judgment the Chief Justice said :- I shall not dwell on the facts of the case at any length, for I find that my opinion of them has not varied since heard the case: reflection has indeed only strengthened it. I shall for the sake of brevit only refer to one plaintiff, the Hip On, and to its manager, Tam Tsz Kong. The case of the other plaintiff company, the Yuen On, and of its manager, Ng Li Hing, is practically id entical. I have called the transaction between Kwok Yik Ting and his friends, among whom was Tam Tex Kong in his capa city as manager of the Hip On, the plainti company, bogus, and the syndicate arrangement mere judge. I will endeavour to put this into more definite shape which will serve as a summary of my opinion of the case. Kwok and Tam thought they saw a "good thing " but it was a good thing which was not to be had without some pay-The thought they could raise \$60,000 between them and their friends. this was the extent to which they would go in cash, the mortgage would produce the rest for payment of the existing mortgages, for purchase of the property and to provide a building fund. The plan of itself leant strongly toward undervaluation, but on the other hand it had to deal-with a sufficiently large fund to leave a liability on the mortgagor to the Hip Oa which was not apparently beyond his means. That it was all worked out very cleverly is shown from the fact that they brought the amount paid to within \$10,000 of what I call the true value. It is the usual case, so common in cases which come before this court, of an attempt to build mountains out of the materials of mole-hills, to make a little the work of much of what

In this case the apex was \$50,000 in cash and it is true that it was sufficiently substantial to have kept the pyramid in unstable equilibrium for some time, but the fact that this substantial sum formed the apex of the pyramid cannot invest the other main fact with a virtue it does not possess. And the fact is that Tam Tsi Kong, the member of the purchasing syndicate was the manager of the Hip Os, and directl the question of a "good thing" of not giving the proper value for the syndicate's own purposes cropped up, the conflict of interest and duty arose and the borden of upholding the bona fides of the sale was shifted on to himthat is to say, on him as manager the Hip On. So' I adhere to my view that the sale must be set aside. Looking at the question on principle the connection between setting aside a sale and compulsory redemption i very difficult to follow. The mortgage has two rights, a power of sale, or foreclosure, redemotion is the relief which Equity gives to stay the exercises of what would otherwise he an indefensible Common Law right. It is to prevent the absolute forfeiture of the estate for breach of the condition, Equity deeming it upressonable that the mortgagor should retain for his own benefit what was intended for a mere security. Why then should the mortgagor be compelled to redeem merely because the mortgages has exercised his power of sale wrongfully, and in such a way as to tompel the court to set it aside? . The result would be the

popularly known as the "inverted pyramid."

be equivalent to foreclosure, and if redemption were made the condition of setting aside this sale, it would treat this action for recovery of the balance of loan as a foreclosure action which it not, and the plaintiff, and the defendant mortgages and mortagagor which they have all along been most strenuously contending they are not. The effect of the judgment I gave is that that revives, and with it the ordinary rights and obligations incident to a mortgage. I maintain my opinion that in this case redemption should not be made the condition of setting saide the sale. The result is that the sale is set aside simply, which entails the following con sequences: -First, that the relation of mort gagor and mortgages between Li Po Yung and the Hip On is restored each with his normal rights. Secondly, that the question which Kwok Yik Ting has raised which is to compensate him for the improvements which he has made and the expenditure he has incurred in creating buildings on the property, must be answered in the following way, at does not concern Li Pe Yung. least at present. The mortgages and Kwok Yik Ting bave chosen to enter into a rale which has to be set aside, he and his purchaser must arrange matters between them as best they can. The question is not before us and is irrelevant to the present action. : The 'same remarks apply to the mortgage to the Hongkong Fire, I am quite satisfied after the very exhaustive arguments that were addressed

a wrongful exercise of the power of sale would

and the appeal of Li Po Yung is allowed with: Mr. Justice Comperty in the course of his judgment said:-It follows that in my view the sale should only be set aside on certain terms. It would no doubt be convenient to settle the decree in Chambers but I think the proper order might be outlined as follows:-1) An account to: be taken of what is due under the mortgage for principle and interest. (2) - An inquiry as to what allowance Kwok Yik Ting should have for improvements which have increased the value of the property. (3) Li Polyang to be credited with an occupation rent of the annual value of the unimproved land, as from the date of the sale.

to the court on the point, that my previous ruling

on the matter of the release of Li Po Kam and

lits effect on Li Po Yung was erroncous

and must be reversed. His Lordship con-

cluded :- The appeals of the plaintiffs and of

Kwok Yik Ting are both dismissed with costs.

plied with electricity or steam, and besides an il kind of the sanitary standpoint is in the original bottle. efficient fire convicte a tank has been installed |ed H. H. Taby Shao-yi to be appointed acting at all executing me lecturing me lectur

IMPERIAL BANK OR CHINA.

fudgment delivered. Judgment was delivered last Monday more

ing in the case in which Leung Shui Koog compradore to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company (appollant) appealed against the judgment of the Chief Justice, given against bim in favour of the Imperial Bank of Chin (respondents) nearly a year ago. "The appeal has commanded some interest, not only among the palive business men in this Colony, but was 'carefully' followed' by European bankers, as the duestion is raised as to whether a firm can recover from a guaranter in case the person guaranteed loses or steals a certain sum of money, which belongs to his employers.

The case in point is that in which the imperial Bank of China brought a claim against | before mid-day when the gunbout cast, off her Loung Shui Kong —

deceased, under a written contract dated a8th official landing at Macao where the Com-August, 1897.

amount from the following dates, respectively- | has been slightly amended; the Commis-(b) Interest on the sum of \$10,666.79 from fit May, 1902.

(a) Interest on three; sums (\$65,444.75 1900, until payment or judgment, The Chief Justice at the time held that the !.

ment accordingly. Honce the appeal.

judgment said-The defendant in this action was sued as guaranter of one Loudge King Wo, an officer in the Imperial Bank of China, deceased. It is impossible to make a satisfactorily concise summary of the facts of the case, and it is hardly necessary, as the defendant had judgment on all points in the suction, except one, and it is in respect of this part of the judgment that he is appealing. Stated briefly the point on which judgment went against the defendant was in respect of what were called the King Kee accounts. He, the Chief Justice, had held that they were Leung King Wo's private accounts with the Bank of Tientsin, which were overdrawn. He held further that the circumstances in which these accounts were kept amounted to an admission by Leung King Wo as to their accuracy: that it was proved as far as such an account could be proved, and that the defendant was liable for the overdraft. Then came the guestion of law which depended on the change in the nature of the duties of Leung King W from manager at first to agent. Such a change in the nature of the duties of the person guaranteed would, in the absence of notice and assent, absolve the guarantor, but it had seemed to him that if there was running through both offices guaranteed, one common ground of delayed owing to the prevailing bad weather liability, the reason for this relief would cease to exist and the guaranter would continue liable. The question had assumed a considerable importance in the taking of the accounts consequent on the judgment, and it had become necessary for the defendants to challenge the principle on which he (the Chief justice) had acted. He had intimated that in ordinary circumstances he should have had the point specially argued on the basis of his judgment on the other points; so that the question could be specially considered free from all other matters, but circumstances did not admit of it The Court was working treble tides, and he was compelled to give judgment against the defendant on this point without being able to devote as much consideration either to the fact, or the law as he should have wished, and without calling on Counsel for assistance. The argument on the appeal had practically taken the place of the further argument which, if the time of the Court had been less occupied, he should have required in the first instance. Now that he had heard the question of law argued he found it was covered absolutely b authority, and that the law as he had laid down was wrong. The case must be governed by the authority of Bonar v. Macdonald (3 H.L. cases, 226) for the facts were in principle identical. He was therefore of opinion, that the judgment which was entered for the

reversed with costs. Mr. Justice Gomperts concurred.

CARB OF MILK.

plaintiff on this part of his claim must be

DAIRY FARM CO.'S DIRECTIONS.

on the "Care of milk in the house," with the lence to His Most Gracious Majesty's loyal subsub-title of "How the housewife should takecare of milk." According to Mr. Walker cleanliness and cold are essential to keep milk wholesome, although if consumed soon after my duty to issue. preduction, so that the bacteria do not have time to increase—say two or three hours—the importance of cold is lessened.

Milk absorbs impurities whenever it is exposed to the air or placed in unclean vessels. The amount or degree of this contamination depends upon the cleanliness of the air and the utensils: even the air of a so-called clean room contains impurities. The bacteria which get into the milk from the air or vessels increase rapidly as long as the milk remains warm—a 50 degrees F. or over they are active, and in-

crease slowly at lower temperatures. If the Dairy Farm Company has done its duty, there is daily left at the consumer's door bottle of clean cold unadulterated milk. Bu t may become unfit for food, especially for babies, by improper treatment at home. This bad treatment consists (t): In placing it in un clean vessels, (2) in exposing it unnecessaril

to the air, (3) in failing-to-keep it cool up time of using it. Among other directions Mr. Walker make the following recommendations:-

Take the milk into the house immediately after delivery, particularly so in hot weather. Sometimes milk delivered as early as 5 a.m. remains out of doors until 8 o'clock. This wrong. If it is inconvenient to receive the milk | ment and long succession of important appointas soon as it is delivered, provide a sheltered place in which the milkman can leave it. Never | be reasonably interpreted as an allegation that allow the sun to shine for any length of time on Admiral Lambton was an agitator."....

Put the milk in the refrigerator and keep i there on ice until required. Milk can not be properly kept during the summer time without Keep milk in original bottle until needed for

immediate consumption, do not pour it into a bowl or pitcher for storage. Do not pour back into the bottle milk which has been exposed

Keep the bottle covered with a paper cap an inverted tumbler as long as milk is in it and when not actually pouring from it. After opening the bottle and removing a part of the milk, do not leave the bottle upcovered the street

Milk deteriorates by; exposure to the air of the pantry, kitchen or pursery. Do not expose uncovered milk in ice chest containing food such as fish, meat, choose, onions, etc. An ex- board. cellent way: of serving milk on the table from

GENERAL MACHADO.

DEPARTURE FOR MACAO

The Portuguese Delimitation Commissioner, General Joachim, Machado, with the assistant Commissioner, Senhor D. Cinattl, and Secre- tons, as compared with the previous year. tary Norton left for Macao in the foremon to- these "vessels '90" were surveyed "for 'bot day on board the Portuguese gunboat Patric, I tom; and passenger certificate; at Kowloos Capt. Ferreira Marques, detached from Macao. on temporary service in attendance on General Machado, accompanied the Special Envoy and

Leiris, Consul for Portugal, boarded the steam- I and the remainder had either been granted pinnace placed at their disposal by the docking certificates at this port in the previous Captain of the Vasco da Gama at Blake Pier. at II.30 a.m. and embarked on board the Patric | passenger certificate, without docking, on dockmoorings and forthwith shaped a course for (1) To recover the sum of \$346,045.65, being | Macao which she expects to reach by 3 p.m. the amount of surety of one Leung King Wo, to-day. We understand that there will be an missioners are certain of a very cordial recep-(2) Compound interest at the rate of eight tion by their compatriots, . The original proper cent, per annum with half-yearly interests gramme which contemplated General Maupon the various amounts composing the chade's return to Hongkong on Tuesday next, (a) Interest on \$186,998.84 from 15th No- stoner will be away from the Colony until vember, 1901, until payment or judgment. Wednesday next. Upon their return it is expected that the Chinese Commissioner, who i at present in Cauton, will also be in Hongkong, when the preliminaries having been arranged "\$13;550:52 and \$69,444) from 1st July, no time will be lost in entering upon the daties

which called them together in this Colony. Yesterday General Machado and suite were guaranter was responsible, and entered judge I the guests of His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard at dinner, the leading officials and a The Chief Justice in the course of a leng- inumber of residents being invited to meet the distinguished visitors. On Thursday afternoon the Commissioner paid a formal visit to Sechor Leiria at the Portuguese Consulate and was later entertained to tea by Mrs. Leiria at the Consular residence. The rest of the evening was spont sight-scoing.

HO VOKONG'S LIGHTHOUSES.

GAP ROCK.

In an appendix to the harbour master! report for 1908 there is the following reference ·to lighthouses:--

Telegraphic communication was interrupted

for 20 days during the year. During the year eight hundred and forty-six vessels were reported as passing this station and fifty were not reported owing to telegraphic communication being interrupted. Six hundred and sixty-one telegraphic messages were received and three thousand four hundred and two were sent including weather report for the Observatory. There were two hundred hours and ten minutes (200h, 10m,) fog and the fog gun was fired one thousand two hundred and thirtyone times. On four occasions the relief was and rough sen.

Waglan Ibland. One, thousand two hundred and nineteer vessels were reported and in addition one thou sand three-bundred and thirty-two messages were sent and two hundred and ninety-nine recorded. Owing to the telegraphic communication being interrupted seven hun dred and thirteen vessels were not reported Two hundred and thirty hours and twentyfour minutes (230h; 24m.) of fog were experienced and the fog gun was fired two thousand four hundred and forty-six times, The shore end of the telegraph cable was broken on the 6th October; a new shore end was fitted and telegraphic communication restored on November zoth. On one occasion the re ic was delayed by the bad weather and rough sea GREEN ISLAND.

Ope thousand seven hundred and one versels graphic and telephonic communication being I medy. intempted, at different times, 139 vessels were not reported. 107 messages were received and 148 seut. Communication was interrupted at nine different times during the year.

THE ADMIRALTY LETTERS.

With reference to the recent allegations of agitation in the Navy the N. C. D. News has received the following communication from the Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron. King Afred at Wolhelwol.

To the Editor of the

" NORTH CHINA-DAILY NEWS." Sir.—The honour of the Admiral approved A leasiet has just been issued by Mr. James | by the King to command the British Fleet alker, manager of the Dairy Farm Co. Ld., the China Seas cannot be a matter of indifferlects residing in the Far East, therefore I trust you will be able to find space to publish the subjoined Memorandum which I have felt it

June 20, 1909.

Your obedient servant. HEDWORTH LAMBTON. King Alfred at Weihaiwei,

June 19, 1909. Memorandum.--! have the honour to draw the attention of Captains, Officers and Ships'

Companies to the following question and answer in the House of Commons on May 10, which enabled the Admiralty to accede promptly, justly, and honourably to my telegraphic request of May 7 that my honour should be publicly vindicated:-Mr. Brooke (L. Tower Hamlets, Bow and

Bromley) asked the First Lord of the Admiralty whether having regard to the statements alleged to have been quoted from a private letter of three years ago to the First Sea Lord, the Admiralty have ever regarded Vice-Admiral Sir-Hedworth Lambton as an agitator in the Naval

"Mr. McKenna replied that the Admiralty have never regarded Admiral Lambton as an agitator. His record is most distinguished, and the high appreciation in which his services. both in peace and war, have been held by suc-COSSIVE BOARDS IS SDOWN BY his rapid advance. ments. No statement in the private letter can

Armstrong's speech concerning Captain Bacon's letter to Sir John Fisher containing the egitation headed by Lord Charles Bereaford and Admiral Lambton" and also published Mr. McKenna's explanations in the House of Commons on the subject, but for reasons best known to itself, although the matter is of great the time honoured traditions of the Navy, has omitted the above vindication of myself by the Admiralty,

This unfortunate omission on the part of for their Parliamentary Intelligence pacessitates my insuing this Mamorandum, which is of to remain on the notice boards of sach vessel any kind, particularly strong smelling foods, in the China Fleet for the week after receipt on.

> HEDWORTH LAMBTON Vice Admiral and Commander in Chief. and all concerned outline Chine Station:

SURVBY OF VESSELS

Passinger, Certificates, During the year 1008, the total number of vessels surveyed for passenger certificate and bottom inspection were 184 of 435,470 gross register tons, a decrease of 8 vessels and Docks, 30 at Cosmopolitan, 10 at Abardeer and 12 at the new Talkoo Dock, the first vesse I to be examined at the latter, doc; being the suite on their journey to the Portuguese Colony. British, s.s. Huickow on the 5th, October. The visitors, with whom was Senhor I. I. vessels were examined on Chinese owned slip

> The nationalities and tonnage of these vessels were as follows:-British ...... 126 vessels of 319,312 tons. German ... 40 74,293 Chinese ... 6 ... 16. Norwegian .6 . " French .... S.m.

> year or were surveyed in the harbour for

ing certificates granted at Shanghai, &c.

Swedish ... I vessel of ... 1,620 Emigration surveys were held on 40 Britis and 51 foreign steamers, as compared with 45 British and 70 foreign in the pravious year, while 254 surveys were held on licensed passenger launches, an increase of 27 over 1907.

> H.B. TANG SHAO-Y-ON-CURRENCY.

SOME INTERESTING VIEWS H.E. Tang Shao-yi, in a conversation yester-

June, gave vent to some interesting views on ling, there was laid on the table the annual the question of currency reform in China. His I report on education, in the Straits Settlements: journeys in Europe' led him from London; where he arrived from America at the end of following excerpts :--last January, to Paris, thence to Rome, Vienna Borlin, St. Petersburg and Brussels, At each capital he was received by the ruler of the country, and also spent some time with members of the different Governments, discussing financial questions, though, as may be sup posed in view of the shortness of his stay, his inspection of the working of the different financial systems was limited to what his Excellency described as "paper knowledge,"

Turning to the question of Chinese currenc H.E. Tang denied emphatically that he had l ever sent any telegram to Peking advocating a dollar unit throughout the Empire, as had been lassested with much assurance by the native Press at the end of last February," His Excollency said that he adhered to the views ex pressed in his memorial (embodied in the Imperial Decree on Currency Reform of October 5), that the standard unit should be the Kuning tael. In order to avoid the inconvenience of so large a coin, he also wished to have a half tael, a mace, and a half-mace. The four other. His reason for preferring the tael to the dollar was that the latter coin entered combusiness practice. The dollar, his Excellency thought, scarcely extended beyond the Treaty ports, and though there was a large number of ty in gradually calling them in. Tinally to the Chinese decimal system.

evil of the moment was the unrestricted issue attributed to the days of the Provisional Government in 1001 when solid old firms went bankrupt and new firms without capital or responsibility started up, in all directions. On this subject he was understood to say that the law might be made more strict, and he assented to the suggestion that an Imperial Bank of China, working in relation with were signalled and reported. Owing to the tele- select provincial banks, would supply the re-

> H.E. Tang expects to leave for Tientsin within the next day or two. His future occupation is uncertain. From another source we are informed that the sumour of his appointment as to a great extent take the place of the annual President of the Ministry of Finance is nothing but rumour. That post is at present held by Duke Tsai Tse who was one of the Travelling Commissioners in 1905.

THE CHINESE NAVY. TENTATIVE PLANS.

According to native advices it is the intention of the Navy Commissioners to divide the Nav into two squadrons, the Northern and the Southern. From the Klangsu province and northwards will be regarded as the northern waters and below that the Southern. Rach squadron will be commanded by an Admira and will consist of a flagship, four first-class battlesbips, eight second-class cruisers, ten third and fourth class cruisers, two destroyers, three or four dispatch boats and transports, a dozen gun-boats and a torpedo boat flotilla of thirty or forty vessels. The battleships will be commanded by Commodores or Captains, cruisers by Captains or Commanders. The ships will be formed into different fleets which together will. form the new Imperial Navy. These plans are

ments. -N. C. D. News. DR. MORRISON AND THE JAPANESE PRESS.

being communicated to the provincial govern

HIS RECENT VISIT TO JAPAN.

D. News; Dr. G. E. Morrison, the Times correspondent; says:-I ask leave to correct some of high for a year or two, chiefly for bonusen; tol themisstatements regarding me which have been published by a certain section of the Japanese ichers have, been through the course, only Press on the occasion of my recent visit to Ia- I persons, newly taking up teaching will, joinpan. "Delay in writing is due to my having land the cost will diminishan decorate will diminish and the cost will discuss the cost will discuss the cost will discuss the cost will be cost will discuss the cost will be cost will b reglected to read-the-papers-while-on-my journey. 11 is only since-I-returned to Peking I in Singapore and masters of the aided schools: that I have realized the extent of the misrepresentation to which I have been subjected. Interviews have been published with

which are fictitious. Statements have been at- lin education are due to them, in Singapore In tributed to me which I never thought of uttering. | particular to Mr. Haigh, and in Penang to Mr. I am represented to have assured the Premier, the Marquis Katsura, that, Is disclaimed [gentlemen. ] where the wife of the second responsibility for certain messages sent to The . Mr. Bartlett's report mentions that the total Times from Peking regarding the Fakumen Jexpenditure on education in 1908 in Singapore, Railway and Japanese: policy in Manchuria. The Times newspaper reported Sir George The story is an invention. -11 disclaimed and office of director of education, was \$165,319.62:11 disclaim no such responsibility.

Oplum Commission and that I was absent two messages were sent to The Times from Peking. The longer and more im I Mr. Pringle's report for Penalg states that portent of these messages made no reference the total expenditure of the defiatment was interest to all those, who cherish respect for to the Fakumen Railway; the other which | \$143,574,940 an compared with \$106,017,97, but? dealt with Russian action in Manchuria con- of the amount spent during the year thurstoner tained an allusion to "the steady refusal of of \$12,43%57 was for special grants to grant in lapan to permit China to extend her own rail- laid schools for extension of buildings and playway system for the development of the rich grounds. The increase in ordinary expenditures The Times, to which journal many people trust regions of Mongolin and Manchuria, west of lower the expenditure of the previous year was statements of fact, they were sent by my friend . Mr. Clark, head of the Malay College, states

> I had the privilege of an interview with Maley States contribution \$2.798.12 from Public Count Okuma and I found him, as on provious [Works Department | votas | 5807, 18. and from occasions, one of the most courtly and sympa. | salaries (inclusive of supervision of verpacular apon my ignorance is a fabrication of the Courts I Straite Times

THE RECLAMATION CASE

TO BE TAKEN TO THE PRIVE COUNCILLY

Bir Henry Berkeley, K.C., made an application last Monday before a Full Court Consisting of the Chief Justice (Sir-Francis Piggott) and the Puisne Judge for leave to appeal to the Privy Council against the decision of the Chief Justice in the case in which; H.B. the Governor! Sir Frederick Lugard, brought an action against Mr. Chu Ping, a merchant of 1313, Des Voets Road West, executor for Chueby a rich tobacco manufacturer, for the specific performs ance by the defendant of agreements dated 17th December, 1889, and 24th July, 1904, with the Governor, in respect of Mariau Lot No. 534, which lot is is situated near Tung Man Lane, Hongkong, and is bounded on the west by Endicott Lane. In making the application, Sir Henry said that the case was corlginally set down for hearing before the Full Court. Owing, "however, 110 an objection from Mr. Justice Gomports (Puishe Judge) it was heard by the 'Chief Justice sitting alone. He understood that the Chief Justice sate as as Full Court or'as the only available [ judge' in the Colony at the time.

The Chief Justice—it does not matter. Leave to appeal was formally granted.

EDUCATION IN THE STRAITS.

ANNUAL REPORTS OF DIRECTOR AND

INSPECTORS.

At the Singapore Legislative Council meetfor the year 1008, "From it we make "the"

The total amount spent by the Department in 1908 was :--Singapore \$188,202.97; Malacca \$16,128,18, and Penang \$144,904.29, a total of \$409,235.44.

This is \$32,304.87 in excess of the amount spent in 1907, \$376,840.57. But from this amount has to be deducted \$2,208.23 received from the Federated Malay States government for their students at the Malay College, and \$50,513.47 received from school fees and sale of books and manutactures, or rather (as zo per cent has to be deducted from the latter sum for military contribution) the actual receipts by Government, in fees, etc., may be reckoned as \$40,410.78. This makes the nett cost of education to Government in 1908 \$366,526.53. Of this, however, over \$32,000 was special expenditure for building. grants to aided schools in Penang.

... ATTENDANCE.

The average percentage of attendance at all schools was 87. In 1907 it was 85.7 and in 1906. coins would preserve a fixed ratio to each | 84. The entolment at all English schools was 11,313, boys 9,219, girls 2,094. "The enrolment? shows an increase, over 1907, of: 383 boys and? paratively little into the nation's 'Ideas and 137 girls, and the attendance an increase of 450' boys and 116 girls. The percentage of attendance was 92 for boys and 59 for girls. The enrolation ment at Malay boys' schools rosafrom 10.265 in dollars in circulation he could see little difficul- 1907 to 10,786 in 1938 and the attendance from 8,389 in 1907 to 8,986 in 1908. The percentage must be remembered that the tael corresponded | of attendance was 83'3 as compared: with 81'7: in 1907. In Malay gitls' schools the enrolment H.E. Tang admitted frankly that the great and attendance were 1,038 and 828 in 1908 as against 877 and 675 in 1907, and the percentage of paper money, the beginning of which he of attendance rose from 77 in 1907 to 798 in

In all vernacular schools there were 11.035 children in enrolment and 9,901 it attendance. The average cost to Government of each pupil attending any school under the supervision of

the Education Department was \$18.11.4" Steady improvement was shown by the landing English schools in all the settlements: The local teachers have of late shown a great advance. This is partly due to the normal: classes and partly to the improved rates of pay

which local teachers can now command. : Under the new education code surprise visits inspection and only standards VII and IV are individually examined by the inspecting officer. In the standard VII examination in Novemer

bor, the same papers were set for all shools, in the colony and Federated Malay States, and instruction were given with a view to securing as far as possible that the same standard should be everywhere required for a pass: 2/ On the whole the schools of the colony did

considerably better in this test than those of the Federated Malay States. The Singspore schools did better than those of the other Settlements. In some respects the standard VII examination was on new lines. I hope to see a Brandard VII certificate a real guarantes of a fair working knowldge of English, I fear that in the past it has not always been so.

A very satisfactory feature in most schools was the continued improvement in the teaching of the infants and the small children in the lower classes.

NORMAL CLASSES. The classes for teachers in Singapore and Penang continue to do excellent work, and were well attended. Nine students in Singapora and seven in Penang passed the first year course. Forty-pine in Singapore and 45: 10: Penang joined as first year students, but these 'numbers have since been considerably reduced. The first year class in each Settlement; is, still, however, large. The principals of both governor ment and aided schools have: fully (recognised) the benefit conferred by these classes; and have Writing from Peking on June 17 to the N. C. | put pressure on their teachers to, induce them. to join. The cost to Government is likely to be teachers who qualify. When all older tead

The tutors of these classes, Raffles masters of in Penang, have devoted a great deal of time l'and trouble to the instruction of the normals me liclasses and the thanks of every one interested Mann, as the heaviest work has fallen on these

excluding all expenses in connection with the The total in Malaccalwar \$76,128.18, making at It is true that on January 26 I left Poking to ligrand total of \$244,447.80. The total receipts offentive phrase I objected to, viri-"Service | be present in Shanghai during the sitting of the in Singapore were \$43,880 and in Malacca were \$585, making a grand total of \$49,731, and mutil March 6; it is true that in my absence ishowing an excess of expenditure over receipts

amounting to \$193,036.55.36 let \$ hing find print A

and colleague and is accept full responsibility, I that the total expenditury for the year was the for them. the land and the first Pederated

## Presentation to Mr. Seth.

POPULAR OFFICIAL RECIPIENT OF HANDSOME SOUVENIRS.

FELICITOUS SPEECHES.

Mr. Arathoon Seth, 180., the popular retir ing Registrar of the Supreme Court who for Over as quarter of a century so ably filled numerous responsible posts in the service of the Colonial Government, was the recipient of a handsome presentation on his retirement from the Service at the Supreme Court this morning. There was a goodly gathering of solicitors present, among whom were noticed Messrs, Matthew J. D. Stephens, P. W. Goldring, John Hastings, R. D. Atkinson, J. Gardiner, R. A. Harding, H. L. Dennys, Otto Kong Sing, F. Paget Hett, F. X. d'A

mada a Castro, and Crowther Smith, Shortly after ten o'clock, Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, speaking on behalf of the solicitors said:-We as a body of solicitors practising i the Colony could not let the opportunity pass, of making this presentation. We regret your vacating the post of Registrar. You have acted long and carefully and we cannot forget your readiness to assist us at any time. We cannot forget either your manner and kindness towards us. We do not remember, at least I don't remember, any unkind remarks from you when cailed upon for any business. Not only the solicitors, but the whole community recognised your valuable services. You no doubt feel that you leave your office somewhat blank. We hope you will have a pleasant voyage home and come back to us as a friend, as you always have been. We take this opportunity of asking you to accept a few souvenirs. There is a plate with the names of solicitors engraved upon-it-presented-to-you-on-your-retiringfrom office. We also ask you to accept a little cigar case for your personal use. You. may perhaps smoke cigarettes if not cigars (Laughter). There is also an up-to-date pair of binoculars which we hope you will use on your voyage out and look at the shores of the Colony in which you have lived so long. Words cannot express what we feel. I will not say any Colony. (Applause).

The presentation (was then made by the spokesman.

Mr. Seth, who spoke with evident emotion. said;-Mr. Stephens and Gentlemen,-It is indeed very kind of you to think of me on my retirement from the Service. Whatever assistance to solicitors in the Colony I may have been, it was done through a sense of duty. As the Registrar, it is the duty everywhere to work with the sollcitors. I have always endeavoured to do this to the best of my ability .-- I-feel-quite-proud-that-on-my-retirement I should be the recipient of these lovepresents from members of the profession. They shall be preserved as heirlooms. for it is not every day that a man gets presents from the community-from the community of solicitors—from those with whom he has for a long time been in touch. Mr. Stophens has hoped that the binoculars would be useful to me on the voyage out. I fel sure they will be. I am not one who can make a long and effective speech, but you can quite understand my feelings on the matter. I thank you for your kind thought for me. I hope I will be among yousoon (Applause).

At'the conclusion of Mr. Seth's speech, felicitous remarks were exchanged with the retiring official. Wishes for a bon voyage were expressed, after which the happy occasion terminated.

Yesterday afternoon, at the Small Court. Mr. Seth was the most interesting figure at a farewell meeting of Government officials who foregathered to bid the retiring Registrar Godspeed and a pleasant voyage home. Among those present were Sir Henry Berkeley, K C. Messrs. E. A. Irving, J. H. Kemp, Adam Gibson, J. R. Wood, G. A. Woodcock, A. G. M. Fleicher, G. N. Orme, T. A. King, Frank Browne, G. H. Wakeman, and P. P. J. Wode-

Sir Henry Berkeley, in a felicitous speech proposed Mr. Seth's health, in the course of which he referred to Mr. Seth's long service and the high esteem in which he was always held. .. Mr. Seth suitably replied, after which, there were hearty hand-shakes and pleasant wishes. Mr. Seth left for Europe by the Hirano Maru to-day.

## ANTI-CIGARETTE CRUSADE.

DEMONSTRATION AGAINST BRITISH-AMERICAN

The parrow-minded proceedings of the Anti-Oplum Society are almost pantomimic. The Foothow Echo. says :- Our reporter observed in the Anti-Oplum Society procession on Friday, two loads of cigarettes, evidently put in as a taunt to the representatives of the British-American Tobacco Co., who are now working in this district. We think we may disabuse the minds of the fanatical missionaries and native students who are now harrassing a legitimate trade, if they think that their action is likely to do any barm to the great tobacco trust. We would also ask for fairplay for the representatives of this tobacco trust who must be allowed to carry on their legitimate trade without molestation. The missionaries have a perfect right to preach against cigarette smoking, drink or any other luxury, but they have no right go so far as to incite their hearers' to hustle and molest the sellers of cigarettes, nor have they any right to publicly declare that those engaged in the trade are outcasts of society. Live and let live. 'The missionary here lives in comparative luxury, at the expense of a charitable public in the home-lands; the cigarette sellers live by the sweat of their brows In the filthy street of a Chinese city. No Kuliang during the summer months for them.

### NANYANG INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

The preparations for this Exhibition, which is to be held in May, 1910, at Nanking, are being pushed forward by Director Chen Chee. under instructions from Viceroy Tuan Fang. The Exhibition is to be held in the new Public Park near Ban-Pai-leo, which is the first station on the City Railway at Nanking oh entaring the City. The plans for the buildings have been prepared by Messrs. Atkinson and Dallas, and the construction of the buildings is to be undertaken at once. It is designed to have a full list of exhibits from the three Provinces-Kiang. su, Anhul and Kiangal, and to obtain also from other Provinces as large a number of under the provisions of the Sunday. Cargoexhibits as possible. One building is to be set | Working Ordinance compared with 348 in 1907. high priest, he kneeled and clasped his hands. aside for foreign exhibits. Plans have been Of these 117 were not used as it was found un- The place was heavily perfumed with incense carefully laid, and there is to be an Agricultural | necessary to work cargo on the Sunday, and | contained in burners, heavily chased with gold. Bullding, Educational Building, Arts Building, The face in such cases were refunded. In one Industrial Building, etc., There will also be a case the fee paid was refunded, although the the march of the priests, followed by their acostreet similar to the Pike, on which various permit was used on account of bad weather lytes all being arrayed in gorgeous robes of houses of amusement will be opened, The having detained the ship, and in another case state. Exhibition is to continue for six months from haif the fee was refunded for the same reason, the date of opening and as the proparations are . The tavanue, collected moder (this) head ing, and alternoon, and if the rain lifts, a proalready well in head there seems to be no amounted to \$15,000 as against \$41,250 in 1907. Cossion, headed by a representation of the doubt that it will be able to open at the The general depression in trade being the Chinese dragon, will provide an outdoor display

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB. ANNUAL MEETING

Mr. T. E. Pearcelast Monday afternoon presided-over a large number of members of the V. R. O. at their annual general meeting held. in the Gymnasium at the Club House. Among those present were "Messrs, T. Meek, M McIver, L. E. Lammert, J. Rodger, S. A. Seth (bon, treasurer), and Frank Lammert "(bon.

secrotary). the meeting. The Chairman said it was in May, 1908, that the V.R.C. moved into the new premises, and consequently their income and expenditure had years, and the cost of sunning the new and larger premises had been experimental. The T. Weir and Clements of the C. M. S. treasurer, Mr. Seth, has gone to a great deal of interest on the \$20,000 debentures they were out with white and gold. The social-hall. raising with which to erect a new bath, and which is supplied with a piano, is a handsome they would want to pay a cortain number of apartment with easy chairs, sofas, etc., as well these yearly. One of the problems that the as writing tables. The tour of inspection being new committee would have to solve was the completed, the tender's whistle was sounded raising of more fonds, and he expected that the and the guests embarked highly satisfied with larger subscription. It would be admitted of the weather, which no doubt kept many from We wish you a happy return to the that this was a cheap club. The present subscription. \$15 per annum, was not commensurate with the benefits that they got from the equipment provided, and more so would that be when the new swimming bath was on April 21, having been built in accordance crected. The matter would have to be gone carefully into, but meanwhile it was satisfactory | building encouragement law. She is classed as to find that they had a balance on the right side. There was a small loss on the athletic | principles with every convenience necessary for sports of \$32, but they could not cavil at this remembering the good afternoon's sport which fort of passengers has been kept in view was provided. Their best thanks were again throughout and the equipment leaves nothing due to the numerous friends who had provided to be desired. There is accommodation for prizes, and who subscribed to the funds for pro- | fifty-eight first class; twenty-eight second class, moting the sports. The aquatic sports appear- twelve special and out hundred and fortyed to be the most popular and the paying branch | steerage passengers. All the cabins are neatly of the establishment, and he thought this would and costly fitted up, and the decorations and be more so in the future. The V. R. C. were not | fittings are of the latest designs and of a first successful in the Water Polo Shield Competition, class nature. The saloon is a splendid apartbut both the teams were well up in the list when | ment and is well lighted and ventilated. The the finals were played. The reserve fund in the balance sheet stood at \$26,867.61. This amount | music room, barber's shop, dark room was \$196.89 more than the amount at last year's | amateur photographers, etc., are all that could summary. The \$686.60 cash overdrawn was be wished, and in addition there is a fully merely a book explanation. Cortain cheques | equipped surgery. The laundry, galleys, panwere drawn before the accounts were closed in | tries, bakery, etc., are models. The lavatories payment of sundry accounts pertaining to 1908, and baths, showers, etc., are also a feature of

These cheques were debited " cash " in the books, and credited to bank as on 31st December, 1908, hence the debit balance of bank account in the books. Referring to the sowing branch, the speaker remarked that whilst they were not successful at Canion and not as successful in the Hongkong Regatta as they could have wished, it augured well for the future when they read that there was more interest taken in rowing, and that more members | are the dimensions of the vessel:-Longth 482 were using the boats. When next season's feet 9 inches; moulded 465 feet; breadth, 56 racing came along they hoped to again see the feet; depth, 34 feet: 6 inches; tonnage gross,

V. R. C. at the head. He shou'd like to mention | 8,770 tons; horse power, 7,300. Speed sixteen their indebtedness to the Yacht Club for the loan of one of their boats. The sporting spirit | ing machinery is of the latest and best descripshown was much appreciated. With regard to gymnastics, it seemed a pity that more u e was not made of the very fine soom and apparatus supplied. The speaker said he had nothing further to add, but would be willing to answer any questions to the best of his ability (Applause.) There being no questions, the .Chairman

Mr. W. S. Bailey seconded. Agreed. Mr. A. Rodger was re-elected Chairman on the motion of Mr. F. Lammert seconded by Mr. Meck: Mr. F. Lammert as hon, secretary

on the motion of Mr. Carroll seconded by Mr. . The election of Mr. C. D. Slias as hop. treasurer was adopted on the motion of Mr. L. E Lammert, seconded by Mr. C. J. Cooks.

NEW COMMITTEES. . . The following members of the general committee were then elected by ballot-Messrs. ] Rodger, L. E. Lammert, T. E. Pearce.

Meck, M. McIver, W. A. Crake A. N. Kemp. H. B. Bridger and C. B. Franklin. A ballot was then taken for a ballotting committee, the result being that the following members were elected :-- Messrs. Alves, A. A. Alves, A. E. S. Alves, J. Cruick-

S. C. MacNider, A. Patterson. .. The Chairman-That is all the official business, gentlemen: I will now ask Mr. Meck to report on the swimming bath.

shank, A. P. Nobbs, U. A. Sath, R. L. Bridger,

Mr. Meek informed the meeting that out of 800 debentures, 652 had been taken up, which gave an amount of \$16,300. That number of Waterloo, were alarmed this morning by tradebentures had been taken up by 156 members | mendons explosions, says the Sydney Evening only, which meant that some had been very News of 19th May. These they discovered were liberal, while a great number of members had caused by the letting off of huge Chinese taken none. Application forms were still to be had, and he hoped that those members who had In connection with the ceremony of opening a not made use of them would proceed to do so. They had quite sufficient money at present to make the proposed bath, but he did not like to see a thing started unless they could accomplish, and they included Chung Ling Soo, the Chin-

It without a debit balance. . Me-k stated that they only had a rough estimate | 3,000. from the architect. \$21,000 would be more than wanted. Final tenders, when preliminaries | The joss house was decorated with carved Chiwere decided, would be put out to competition among of flerent contractors. He had not the least doubt that when competition came along imported from China, draped the wails. A the cost of the bath would be within \$20,000. The usual votes of thanks to the outgoing Committee brought the meeting to a close.

SUNDAY CARGO-WORKING.

PERMITS ISSUED IN 1908.

During last year 282; permits were issued

S.S. "HIRANO MARU!

MACRIFICENT M. YOK. LINKS. The N. Y. K. liner Hirano Maru, which left for Europe last Wednesday morning, was thrown open to visitors at Shanghai; the other day Through the courtesy of the N. Y. K. agents large number of residents were able to attend reception on board the new gloco tonk, twin screw steamer which, owing to the lightness of her draft was able to come night up to Shanghai, reports the local . Times. Shortly after The Secretary having read the notice calling | three o'clock the tender Alexandra, gaily decorated with bunting, left the Customs jetty with a large number of sight-seers on board among whom were to be seen Dr. A. Wilder, American Consul-General, Messes, Heintriebeen extraordinary when compared with other | map, Hull, H. O'Brien of the American Consulate, Drs. Hykes, Myers, and Fitch, Messra Co., representatives of the leading shipping | ed by the Railway Bureau as genuine. Action trouble in preparing a new set of books and litms, banks, insurance, etc., and a large sumputting the accounts on a more satisfactory | ber of ladies and children. The big vessel, basis. The Club's best thanks were due to him | which was lying in the siver off the wayside for his painstaking work. There were some | wharf, was soon reached and the visitors troopitems in the accounts that differed widely from | ed on board, where they were received by the last year's, and needed some explanation. It ship's officers in uniform. On the upper deck was very pleasing to find that in the general | Captain H. Fraser, who is in command, extendworking account they were able to show a led a hearty welcome to the visitors. On the credit balance of \$2,000. This was accounted promonade deck, which was decorated with for principally by an increase in subscriptions | ministure fings and streamers of coloured and entrance fees of some \$1,000. That was paper, etc., were arranged small tables where satisfactory, but he would point out that the guests were supplied with claret cup, all the expenses had increased, and would sad other drinks, cakes, sandwickes, smokes, increase further. Their new premises re- etc. In the large and spacious saloon, quired a large staff to keep them in good tea and other light refreshments were order, and there were always minor additions served, to which full justice was done. and repairs to be made. Next year they would After all had refreshed themselves the have the new swimming bath, and further addi- guests scattered in various directions to view. tions would have to be made to the staff. The the interior decorations of the handsome craft. committee did not see how it was possible | The cabins are both single and double berthed. to diminish these expenses. Very soon they | while there are also several cabins de luxe. would have to find \$1,200 extra to pay the The woodwork is principally of teak picked

members would find they would have to pay a their visit to the thip despite the inclemency attending. The following is a short description of the

The Hirano Maru was launched in Nagasaki

with the Imperial Japanese Government ship-100 A r. at Lloyds, and is modelled on modern a first-class passenger liner. The general comsmoking rooms, social hall, drawing room, the vessel. All the cabins, stairways, etc., are tiled with rubber which is very easy to the feet. She is fully supplied with fire fighting appli- duty. ances, life boats, rafts, belts, etc., and the intest designs of navigating instruments are carried. The cargo space is ample and for the handling of heavy weight, atc., she has four large derricks and cranes, one of which is capable of lifting forty tons. The following knots. She has three decks and her propertion: 'She is built entirely of steel and is light

MBRCANTILE MARINE OFFICE

ed throughout with electric lights. The Birana

Maru left here on her Kuropean voyage this

morning with a large passanger and cargo list.

ENGAGEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF SEAMEN. moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

In 1908, 18,930 seamen were shipped and 18,421 discharged at the Mercantile Marine Office and on board ships (20,990 and 19,529

177 distressed seamen were received and admitted to Sailors' Home, &c., of these 31 were sent Home, 6 to Bombay, 1 to Calcutta, 1 to Honolulu, I to Newcastle, N.S.W., 2 to Port Said, I to Sydney, N.S.W., 18 to Shanghai, 22 to Singapore, I to Townsville, I passenger to London, 36 to Canton, 2 to Singapore, II to Shanghai, I taken charge of by French Consul, 1 joined Lighthouse Service at Amoy, I employed locally, 5 disappeared, I ded at Government Civil Hospital, I on board hospital hulk Hygeia, 3 remained at Sailors Home, 2 at Government Civil Hospital and 21 obtained employment. \$3,568.22 was expended by the Harbour Master on behalf of the Board of Trade in the relief of these distressed

> CHINESE IN SYDNEY. NEW TOSS HOUSE,

Residents in the vicinity of James-street "bungers," calculated to drive away evil spirits, new joss house.

. There were a number of visitors present, a the invitation of the chief priest and trustees, ese conjurer, Mrs. Chung Ling Soo, and their In reply to a question by a member, Mr. | staff. The Chinese present numbered about

> The score was a brillantly speciacular one nese patron saiple and gods, while silk ban- purchased previously. This tendency has gers, worked by Chinese women, and specially novel sight to Europeans was the big display of fruits, winth, and dressed pigs, the idea being that the spirits of the delicacies mentioned would commune with the wandering spirits of departing relatives to their advantage

and pleasure. The ceremony imposes a strict fast, extending over 24 hours. It will be broken to-night, when a Chinese banquet will be given.

As each Chinaman entered the building, he bowed to the shring, and prayed for the success of the new house of worship: Passing the One of the finest spectacles was provided by

The ceremony went on thronghout this moredolgue in character.

PIRACY OF TRABB-MARKS.

An interesting example of the continued piracy of trade-marks is reported to us, says the Japan Chronicle, Messre. Winsor & Newton, the wall-known manufacturers of artist colours registered their trade-mark consisting of "newt, in Japan some few years ago, and also registered their name and addiess as a trade-mark. It was recently discovered that colours bearing Messrs. Winsor & Newton's trade-mark and name had not long since been sold to the Imperial Government Railways such colours not being the genuine article, but avidently manufactured in Japan. The matter has now been put in the hands of the Public Procurator, who has made search on the premises of two Japaness and found some of the colours, and a criminal information will shortly be laid. " The imitations are reported to be very good; reproductions of the original mark and were accepthas been taken in the name of Mr. W. A. de Havilland as registered agent for Messrs. Winsor & Newton, and Dr. Hatoyama has been engaged as counsel.

As our readers will be aware, discovery was recently made of fraudulent imitations Messis. Hubbock's well-known paints being sold to another Government department. : Wa should have thought the Government departments, would have had some means of discovering whether they were getting the genuine article, but if these official bodies are deceived It may be estimated that the deception of the

general purchaser is fairly wide. THE AMERICAN PLEET IN 'YOKOHAMA.

SATISFACTORY END OF AN UNPLEASANT INCIDENT.

The Japan Advertiser of June 17 has obtained reliable information as to the result of the recent court-martial on board the U.S. Galveston. From the text of the Court's finding. it appears that only one man was finally charged with the offence, but so far it has not been possible to ascertain whether this was Gunner Hachimann or Boniswain Dale, both of whom were originally supposed to be implicated. The conclusions of the Court are

embodied in the following words: "The conduct of the accused throughout the investigation of the illegal disposition of Goveniment property, for which he is charged, has been so frank and open that it is very clear to the reviewing authority that there was so criminal intent on the part of the accused. Thereis a grave doubt also as to the knowledge on the part of the accused that the sale was even unlawful. The testimony of a commissioned officer before the Court shows that the same officer was in ignorance of the regulations; luither ifformation has come to the reviewing authority since the illegal sale was effected to the effect-thatin certain instances commissioned officers have received money resulting therefrom holding it as a species of "slush fund," although the action was also clearly in ignorance of the regulations, The accused is found guilty in less degree than the charge—guilty of unlawfully selling property of the United States furnished for naval service, and is sentenced; to deprivation of liberty on shore on foreign stations for one month, and to lose pay amounting to \$50.00." This sentence, however, was remitted in view of the impossibility of holding the accused responsible for his ignorance of the regulations. The accused was therefore restored to

> OPIUM MONOPOLY. DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY.,

According to a Peking despatch of 2370 une to the Chempao, Viceroy Tuan Fang has sent in a memorial about the opium monopoly which has been duly perused by the Board of Finance and the said Board has stated its views to the Throng. The said Board enumerates five difficulties in dealing with the monopoly

of foreign opium. z .- The effect of foreign and native opium is different and foreign opium has a worse effect. 2.-After the stopping of poppy cultivation and sale of native opium, the price of foreign opium will be much increased and if the monopoly be effected the price will further go up

3.-The importation of foreign opium wil never be able to be thecked as it is difficult to know the traffic from India.

4.—There are many people in the soulb eastern provinces who smoke native opium and they should be stopped by the same measures adopted by the north-western provinces. 5.-At present the number of those wh smoke opium is reduced and if too much opium be imported beyond the supply there will be much waste of opium and money and it will induce foreigners to import opium constantly for the next ten years. For these reasons the Board of Finance objects to the opium monopoly. However, the prohibition of opium smoking and poppy cultivation will be entirely effected within the 5th year of Hauan Tung and the cultivation of other cereals in place of poppy will be effected in three years .- Shanghai Mercury.

COTTON YARN.

INCREASED OUTPUT IN JAPAN.

In reference to the situation of the cotton yarn trade, the Ostka Asghi remarks that the monthly output of yarn in Japan has lately in creased to unprecedentedly high-figures, while the dull season for the product has now begun, so that little business has been doing either for export or for the home demand, Yet a scarcity of supply has been experienced for spot delivery. This unusual condition of the market may be explained by the excessive sales contracted for forward delivery. When the yarn market became depressed some months ago, experiers made speculative purchases on the one hand and the spinning companies devoted their energies to effecting sales on the other, taking contracts for the heaviest delivery in May and June. Little business been maintained this month the export of yarn from Osaka and Kobe amounting to recognized as equitable by the Waiwupu, which 3,358 bales in one week. Spinning companies generally hold few contracts for forward delivery for export after this month. In summer the output of yarn usually falls off, but this year the regular decrease in the production may not be seen, owing to the operations of spindles being extended by some spinning companies, so that the supply of yarn will gradually increase during the next bail-year,

SIGNALLING CLASS.

"At Headquasters at 3.30 p.m. on Monday, the 11h, and Wednesday, the 7th July. At Quarry Bay at 5,15 p.m. on Monday, the

th, and Thursday, the Sib July, THE WAY THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR Gunner E.L.G. Arnold is permitted to resign on medical certificate with effect from the 25th

It is notified for information that equipmen our sow be drawn from Handquarters.

THE ANHOL CONCESSION.

After just four years of dogged obstruction on the part of the Anhui, entry and about as many weeks of personal regotiations at Peking between Sir John Lister, Kaye, the Walwupu and provincial delegates a faint ray of hope falls across the long-drawn-out controversy of the Tungkuanshan concession. The story of Sir John's attempted operations in Anhui goes back as far as 2002; but the present dispute begins, practically, in 1904 when the foreign Syndicate formed by Sir John had concentrated its attention on the one concession of Tungkuanshan, and the agreement was signed wit the Chief Bureau of Commerce in Anhul from which all subsequent trouble has arisen. enter fully into details of that quarrel would the proclamation of December 29, 1905, and be wearisome. Briefly it may be said that the Pearing in the Commonwealth Gazette of Dev agreement stipulated that work should be begun at the Tungkuanshan mines within twelve. months of the date of sanction by the Imperia Authority, that is to say on June 5, 1905, ac- | 50, 52, and 56 of the Customs Act, said the obcording to the Syndicate, on May 25'according | jection had been taken that the power of proto the Anhui Bureau. If work were not so | hibition of imports was one which must be exerbegun the whole concession was to be forfeit ed and the money paid for it be unrecover- not be, as it; had been said, delegated to the able, It is admitted that there was some question as to the degree in which work was begun though not as to the fact, on this point, as on that of the date of sanction; the Syndicate's contentions are upheld by the Waiwupu. The native authorities in Anking, however, chose to adopt the opposite view; and in spi of generous offers from the Syndicate on which a compromise might have been effected, every possible obstacle was thrown in the way. Mr. Maguire, the Syndicate's engineer, prevent -his doing any efficient work, September, 1907 the departure of Lord Minister in London offered some hope a settlement as Lord Li is himself an Auhel man and might have been trusted to represent his fellow-provincials' interests fairly. Negotiations were opened in London but with out any practical effect; and four or five weeks ago Sir John Lister Kaye arrived in Peking to make one final effort to arrange a settlement.

During these weeks, as our readers may have native journals on such questions are to be regarded rather as curiosities than as solid information; and the first trustworthy account of the progress of negotiation is contained in | curred. a letter from Sir John Lister Kaye himself to the Peking Daily News of June 17. In this letter we are told that "the draft agreement, which contains the proposals for co-operation between the concessionaires of the Tungkuanshan mines and the gentry of Anhul, has been completed, but it has not yet received the approval of the Chinese Government" and a summary of those Proposals then follows. I is certainly no exaggeration to say, as Sir John says, that the draft agreement "has been most carefully drawn up with a view to arranging actual co-operation between English and Chinese" in all essentials. "Sovereign rights." which we do not need to be told have proved "one of the most troublesome points of objection," are safeguarded by the proposal that a large sum shall be paid by the concessionaires. as the Imperial Government shall direct, for purchase of the lease of all Government and private lands, not be it observed for the lands themselves, that may be 'required for the working of the mines, and all such purchases shall be arranged by the Anhul Bureau of Commerce. Accounts are to be under the joint supervision of a British and a Chinese manager, the latter to control all business concerning the Company in regard to Chinese efficials, gentry, merchants, and people "Special provision is made for the employment of as many Chinese as possible . . . and in regard to the purchase of materials for the mines preference shall be given to Chinese

[.condition, of course, of equal quality and prices. Over and above these terms. the draft agreement contemplates the tablishment in connection with the mines of a school of mining engineering, wherein Chinese may be trained for the future service of their country, and promises an annual subscription to local charities, in proportion to profits. Finally a generous provision is made for Chi

nese capitalists by the ear-marking of 160,000 At deferred shares, to be, offered at par to the Chinese public; while at all times it is expressly provided that "the shares of the Company will be available for purchase by anyone in the open market." Whether the generosity of these proposals will be recognized as readily in Anhui as it is by disinterested onlookers, remains to be seen. It is to be feared that the intransigence of the local gentry has not tended to diminish with

lapse of years. The hopes that were based on the influence that Lord Li might be able to exert through the fact of his owning Anhul as birthplace, have, hitherto, been completely frustrated. So far from his recommendations to compromise being accepted, they have 'merelysarned him opprobrium as a traitor; and there Peking may not similarly be rejected, if they accept the draft agreement. Meanwhile the exact point that has been reached in the negotiations is still uncertain. The introductory paragraph quoted above from Sir John Lister Kaye's letter is misleading ; it does not show clearly whether it is the Imperial Government that for the moment withholds consent, or the Anhui delegates who are standing out for still more favourable terms, if such could be dewisedi 'In all human probability it may be suspected that the Central Government would only be too thankful to see the controversy adjusted and if this suspicion be correct. it i earnestly to be hoped that the gentry of Antuiwill consider their ways carefully before they reject the offer now made to them. It is idle to pretend that the opposition to the Syndicate is: shared by the people of the Tungkuanshan. Every symptom goes to prove that if the mines had now been in full operation there would be no stint of native miners. - Even for the small amount of work that it has been possible to do Mr Magnire has received many more applications for employment than he had been able to accom-Aphul may take of the Syndicate's claims, it must be remembered that the latter have been I the provincials with a partial decision. Once this principle has been established, the draft agreement can be judged on its own merits. Loot only for the benefit of Anhul but as striking instance of that desire for mutual intorest and equal opportunities which alone canafford a solid basis for "the "transactions" of foreign enterprise in Ohina. -N. C. D. News.

TALE OF THE SBA.

A doating bottle, tightly corked has been degrees, thirty minutes."

find out whether any of the Glan liners were in every libeliand that he will about he seem those waters recently in order to identify the home to the United Kingdom ours were a

THE OPIUM TRADE.

DECISION OF SYDNEY HIGH COURT.

The Sydney Evereing News of 2 .th ult. says: -Judgment was this morning delivered by the Full High Court, at Darlinghurst, on the law question reserved at the hearing of the case in which Ah Way: a Chinaman, had been procooded against on a charge of unlawfully importing 807 time of opium, suitable for smoking. in contravention of the Customs Act. Mr. Just tice Higgins, who heard the case, held that Ah Way was concerned in getting the goods, and that he was liable to a penalty provided by the Act. A verdict was found for the Collector of Customs. The question reserved, was: 1. "Is

comber 30, 1905, valid, so far as it prohibits

the importation of opium suitable for smoking?" The Chief Justice, after referring to sections: cised by the Legislature direct, and that it could Governor-General-in-Council. ... His "Honour" quoted from the Privy Council case Queen v. Burah, in which he said the whole question now raised was disposed of. There being, his Honour proceeded, no objection to a conditional law being passed, was this a case of that sort? He had not necessarily to express an opinion: whether the power to impose a customs' tariff" could be delegated by the Legislature ; but the Legislature could say that goods, which it did: to not consider desirable to be imported to the Commonwealth, should not be imported ... Us. less the Legislature was prepared to lay down Ching-fang to take up the post of Chinese at once that goods for all time should not be: imported, it had power to make prohibition con ditional. And a condition might be the existence or the discovery of some fact... The expediency of admitting goods to the Common. wealth at any time was a question of fact, and there must be some means of ascertaining that: fact. And there could be no objection to the Governor-General as the person to ascertain. and proclaim that fact. On all grounds, connoticed, the native Press has referred constantly | cluded his Honour, the objection seemed to be to the discussions in the capital, But It is entirely without foundation, and his answer to already only too clear that, the statements of the question reserved to the court was that the proclamation was valid.

Their Honours Mr. Justice O'Connor, Mr. Justice Isancs, and Mr. Justice Higgins con-

WHAT "POSSESSION" MEANS. ..... Following its decision of the point of lawraised in the case of Ah Way, the Foll High. Court also answered the question reserved in the case of Edward Merchant. The question was :-- " Does section 233 of the Customs Act. tool apply to a person unlawfully having in his possession probibited imports?"

Section 233 reads :- "No person: shall smuggle or unlawfully import, export, or convey, or have in his-possession-any-goods ; and no master of a ship or boat shall use, or sufferhis vessel to be used in smuggling, or in the unlawful importation, exportation, or conveyance of any goods," The point to be decided was whether baving goods inlawfully in possession within the meaning of the section.

The counsel appearing for the Collector of. Customs. in Ah Way's case appeared in this. also: Mr. Flannery (instructed, by Mr. Levien): appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Flannery said the question, as put, did not effect his client... He admitted that the answer should be in the affirmative... The Court answered the question in the

affirmative. No order was made as to costs, either in this or the preceding matter

EARTHQUARE IN SUMATRA.

GREAT DAMAGE BY FIRE AND FLOOD Datails are now to hand from Batavia tespecting the earthquake in Sumstra. The Batavia papers of June to give telegraphic; particulars of the earthquake which, was most severely felt in the province of Jamble. South Sumatra, especially in the district of Korinchi. That district lies in a valley in the form of a triangle 'To the north-west is, the Peak of Korinchi and Gunong Sumbing,; both of them active volcanoes. The latter. mountain had lately been emitting volumes: of smoke. The volcanic structure of the country gives every reason for expecting earthquakes, but none of any consequence had been experienced there in the last lew years. The population of Korinchi is set at about, 70,000. and the country is under high cultivation. The people are well-to-do and thriving. They are: Mahommedans. The houses are mostly large?

rice storehouses solidly built, and possessing a handsome appearance. The earthquake came upon the people of the valley at 1.30 a.m. on the morning of 4th; Instant. There were repeated shocks accome: panied by a tidal wave. A great many houses: collapsed, and fires broke out which wrought. seems to be small guarantee that the delegates in great havoc. In all parts of the district, not only houses but also mosque and paddy store-houses had collapsed. The houseless: people took refuge in the fields and built

and, well built. There are many mosques:

One peculiar feature is the great number of.

temporary shelters. .. ... The tidal wave gave rise to landslips and sinking of the ground. The rivers were blocked and overflowed their banks, - Great damage: was done to roads and bridges. Several sulphur springs are active while others have driven: 'op," Up to the date of last advices the number. of persons killed by the shocks is set at 2 to: The Government is active in measures of rellef. On the West Coast of Sumatra the shocks: were heavy enough to start a panic, and the ses. too, showed signs of great disturbance disturbance The Redjang Lebong mine suffered no

WHAT IS A BUROPBANT

ANOMALY IN THE BRITISH SBIPPING LAWN

When is a European, not a European !-is the problem which the shipping master of Cal-: ... cutta, has had before him for solution, reports' very large shipment was made of yarn modate. Whatever view the official classes of the Madres Times. The British shipping law African black, balling from somewhere in the Zauxibar country, a European within the meanhas certainly nothing to gain by exasperating | ing of the Merchant Shipping Act. The circumstances under which the question arose are peculiar. The man concerned left his ship (British) in:// Port Said, got into difficulties and was eventually stranded. He applied to the British cousult ? for assistance, and as he was not a British Ing 1/2 dian, be was classed officially as Ruropessions. The option of his part of return resting with him he declared for Bombay, and to this place the consul caused him to be shipped as a distressed seaman. When he landed in Bombay, the authorities there handed him over to their Calcutta colleagues for no reason appreciable by the latter, and has been living in this city for some considerable time at the public de sescued from the sea at Tanjong Pager, says | expense, his status and future being meanwhile (4) the Singapore Free Press. It contained a paper, | carefully considered, I. He has once more formwith part of which was illegible, but what could be ally applied for distressed, "seaman's " passage) understood was: "Lost in the New Guines to London and in view of the fact that Europe Islands. J. F. Palmeston-Glen-Lutitude fifty | peans sallors are now rarely shipped in Colcutta and that he is not a British Indian, is being nous The Master Attendant is endeavouring to commodated in the Sallors Home and there in the public charge.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber last Thursday. Present:-His Excellency the Governor, Si Frederick Lugard, R.C.M.G., Hon. Mr. A. Thomson (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Sir Henry Barkeley (Attorney-General), Hon. Mr. C. McI. Masser (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Mr. P. N. H. Jones, (Director of Public Works). Hon. Mr. F. J. Badeley, (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin (Registrar General), Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.G., Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, Hon. Mr., Wei Yuk, C.M.C., Hop. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, Hop. Mr. Murray Stewart, and Mr. C. Clement (Clerk of Councils).

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Colonial Secretary laid: on the table th Reports on the Hongkong Volunteer Corps for the year 1908 og; Report of the Post Office Department for 1908; and Reports of the Captain Superintendent of Police and of the Superintendent of Fire Brigade,

The Colonial Secretary laidson the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 8).

FINANCIAL MINUTES. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Figureial Minute No. 29. : It was agreed that . It be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Attorney General moved the first read-"Ing of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to regulate the construction and management of railways. The Unionial Secretary seconded,

.The Ordinance is rendered necessary by the construction of the railway connecting this Colony with Canton. The Ordinance authorises and provides for the construction of the rail way and for its administration and manage-STONECUTTERS' ISLAND.

Bill fead a firet time.

On the motion of the Attorney General seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the Bi entitled an Ordinance to amend The Stonecutters' Island Ordinanco, 1889, was road a first

· The purpose of the amending 'Ordinance' is to prescribe a limited distance from the shore of Stonecutters Island within which vessels may ordinarily anchor or make fest.

Opportunity is taken to delete from the principal Ordinance certain words the retention 'of which in the Ordinance has become unneces

COMPANIES (LOCAL REGISTERS). The Attorney General moved, and the Colonial Secretary seconded, the first reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend The Companies (Local-Registers)-Ordinanco, 1907. - Enclosed in 38 unregistered returned latters

The Bill fransfers the licensing of companies from the Governor-in-Council to the Registrar of Companies thereby avoiding the necessity for referring applications for licences to the Executive Council, and facilitating and expediting the issuing of such licences:

The licence is to be valid only until the 31st day of December next following the date on which it is issued. Frovision is made for charging a proportionate part only of the annual fee chargeable on the issue of a licence where the paried for which the licence .will be valid is less than one year.

INTERPRETATION, ORDINANCE. The Attorney General moved the first reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Interpretation Amendment Ordinance,

The Colonial Secretary, seconded. Bill read a first time.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to correct confusion in reference to the Ordinances cited owing to citation of such Ordinances by numbers which were altered when the Revised Edition of the Ordinances was compiled. The Ordinances are referred to in the amending Ordinance by their short titles instead of by numbers.

STAMP ORDINANCE. 2 The Attorney General, in moving the second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend The Stamp Ordinance 1901 as amended. by the Stamp (Amendment) Ordinance, 1902, said:-Hon, members will see from the memorandom in the Bill the object of the Bill. It i to increase the source of revenue. At present sums over \$15 require a receipt with a 5-cent stamp-affixed,-Herester,-any-sum-over-\$10 will require to carry a 5-cent stamp. It is not proposed to bring the Fill into operation until

the end of the year (1st January, 1910). The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Agreed. Council then proceeded to consider the Bi la Committee.

Council resumed Committee on the Bil entitled an Ordinadce to amend the Patents Ordinance 1892. ...

The consideration of this Bill was postponed. owing to the report from the Law Society not having been received.

PEAR TRAMWAY. Mr. W. J. Gresson moved that the Bill entitled An Ordinance for authorizing the Construction of a Tramway within the Colony of Hongkong be withdrawn. Mr. Murray Stewart seconded. Agreed.

ADJOURNMENT. The Council adjourned till Thursday, the

FINANCE COMMITTEE. A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the meeting of Council, the Colonial Secretary presiding. It was agreed to recommend that the following note be adopted by the Council:-

A sum of one hundred and four dollars in aid of the vote. Medical Departments, C .- Institutes, Other Charges, Bacteriological Institute and Mortuaries, books. This was all the business.

KOH-SI-CHANG.

It will be remembered that until the begin-

HONGKONG POST OFFICE.

A. YEAR'S, WORK

Mr. C. Mcl. Messer's report on the Por Office Department for last your was laid before the Legislative Council last Thursday afternoon and is as follows:--

The number of mail bigs and packets dealt with in the General Post Office, Hongkong,

amounted to 204,289, an increase of 39,14 compared with the previous year. REGISTRATION AND PARCEL BRANCH.

Registered articles and parcels handled Hongkong amounted to 805,503, a decrease of 50,912, compared with the previous year.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE. A statement of revenue and expenditure is given in Table III. Revenue amounted to \$412.341.60 showing a decrease of \$32,939.32 due largely to the decreased rates of postage

brought in by the Home Postal Convention. Table IV shows a comparative statement of the sale of postage stamps at the various British Postal Agencies in China for the years 1907 and 1908. Table V shows the number of stamps of different denominations issued for sale during the years 1907 and 1908," Table VI shows a statement of revenue and expenditure for the last nine years."

Consequent on the depression in trade throughout last year the Money Order business has been correspondingly diminished in nearly all countries except that from the German Possession in Oceana which was double that of There was a falling off of about 45,000 in the issue of sterling orders and a decrease of £7,000 in the inward orders. The latter is accounted for by the reduction of Japanese Colonists in Queensland and thereby reducing the amount drawn on Japan by 50,000 Yens and on the other hand, sterling Postal Orders have remained stationary with the sales of 1907. The paid orders have greatly increased by 67 per cent., and local postal orders have also incréased by 32 per cent.

The total number of all articles sent to the Dead Letter Office at Hongkong and despatched from that office during the year 1908 amounted to 99,241, ris., 48,974 of the former, and 50,317 of the latter showing an increase of 20,010 on the total of the previous year. Of the letters, etc. returned from abroad it was possible to return to senders 15,567 and of the locally addressed, 2,821. 4 The increase chiefly owing to the large amount of lottery circulars which are prohibited to pass through the Posti.

there were found articles of value vis, money to the total value £36.0.8, in notes, cheques of drafts and also one large document. These when possible were subjected to registration

and feturned to the senders. 246 Chinese letters, were found to contain coins-40 of them were returned to senders, stamps addressed to the United Kingdom were withdrawn from the mails as the regulations of that country probibit their being forwarded made. 37 ordinary Picture post cards and letters were posted without address.

PILLAR BOXES.

The total number of articles collected during the year from all pillar boxes was 161,933 against 168,496 in 1907 and 122,899 in 1906 showing a decrease of 6,563 in the total of the previous year. Special Postmen are detailed to clear these letter boxes.

CHINESE BRANCH.

General Post Office was 187,000 of which 123, 102 were from United States of America and Canada, and 63,988 from China and other countries showing a total increase, compared with the year 1907, of 24,170. The amount of the ordinary correspondence dealt with also largely increased.

POSTAL HONG LICENCES.

38 Postal "Hong licences and 95 licences to letter carriers ... were issued during the year. The latter number shows a decrease of 25 letter carrier licences.

WESTERN BRANCH POST OFFICE, .;

The amount of correspondence sent between this Branch Office and Canton was :- Despatched 578,453 letters, 4,395 other articles and 7,659 registered articles; Received 741,006 letters, 8,592 other articles, and 4,309 registered articles. In comparison with previous years the figures show a large increase of correspondence handled by this Branch. In addition to the above 13,034 Hong Packets were despatched and 18,529 received by this Branch-The revenue from the sale of stamps amounted to \$72,174.10 compared with \$43,928.38 in the previous year. -----

TORN COVERS.

The number of articles received with covers torn off amounted to 1,423, of which 337 were afterwards forwarded to destinations,

THE JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

REPORT FOR 1908.

The report of the Directors of the Java-China-Japan Line, of Amsterdam, for the year I portionately to the changing attitude of the 1908; states that, in the now divided services to Japan and to China 14 voyages were made last year in the Japan line and 11 in the China line, whereas, formerly, four more voyages litself into four periods. In the beginning there were effected in the combined service. There was no improvement in the condition of trade with either China or Japan last, year; the good traffic with the former country, indeed, especially that to Shanghai, fell off, partly we find "an influential though comparaon account of the general commercial depres- tively small number of Chinese" catching sion, and partly owing to the low value of the lat the foreigners' idea and succeeding in spite dollar; the trade with Japan was also smaller. of opposition in laying the first railway. In the In the meantime, however, the passenger third period the Chinese have become more or. traffic developed considerably, especially as re- less used to the idea of sailways, and are ready did not altogether prove the success that it " self-risk Insurance account" showed profit given rise to the new interest with which Chigiven up. ... We learn, bowever, that it is to the insprance reserve. The gross income (in- The whole conditions of doing husiness with be re-opened wary shortly although not on cluding the sum granted by the State) amount- China are admittedly changing, and to some for inspection, subsequently being housed at matter, such an extensive scale as before but merely | ed to 434,0 4 floring against 464.257 floring against 4 to supply cost to the company's, large and in 1907. 282,685 florins were written off from perations. When Mr. Barry expresses ber machi. The young tiger having only been me that he had once an Indian girl in his house, ever-growing fleet of steam-lighters and the value of the steamers, and so, oss floring list that frailways in China can be made to recently captured, is very flerce and so, oss floring list that frailways in China can be made to recently captured, is very flerce and so, oss floring list that frailways in China can be made to recently captured, is very flerce and so, oss floring list that frailways in China can be made to recently captured, is very flerce and so, oss floring list that frailways in China can be made to recently captured, is very flerce and so, oss floring list that frailways in China can be made to recently captured, is very flerce and so, oss floring list that frailways in China can be made to recently captured, is very flerce and so, oss floring list that frailways in China can be made to recently captured, is very flerce and so, oss floring list that the captured in the steam list that the captured in the steam list the captured in the steam list the captured in the steam list that the captured in the steam list the captured in the steam list that the captured in the steam list that the captured in the steam list that the captured in the steam list the captured in the steam list that the captured in the steam list the captured in the steam list the captured in the steam list that the captured in the steam list the captured in the steam list the captured in the captured in the captured in the steam list that the captured in the Sanches. Captain H. Krebs, the Company's from the value of property at Hongkong; pay, porhaps better than anywhere else in the: at and attempts to claw anyone who comes Marine Superintendent, who is well known in 51,719 floring were required for boiler repairs, world, he says no more than is generally be-Bangkok, is expected here shortly when all the and 27,000 florins were placed to the "reserve lieved. The question of the moment is under in quite gentle and poken his hand from

HONGKONG YOLUNIBER CORPS.

ANNUAL-REPORT:

The following report on the Hongkons Volunteer Corps, by Major-General R. Broadwood, C.B., Commanding the Trobph South China Command, for the Year 1908-09. was laid before the Legislative Council last Thursday afternoon t-

MOUNTED TROOP. A great deal of good work has been done i gaining knowledge of the surrounding country and in general exercise in the duties of the

mounted soldier.

All the training has been carried out in practical and soldier-like way. The O. C. Troop proposes to do away with standing camp during the Christmas exercises in future. I consider this sound both in th score of economy and efficiency. ARTILLERY.

(r.) Good results were obtained by the adoption of the suggestion of Commanding Royal Artillery that:-

ractical schemes.

(ii.) That instruction in the field, of Battery Commanders and their Staffs, should be given by the use of gun sight tripods. (2.) The following remarks apply to the train-

ing generally :during the latter practices.

" ship without a rudder." ENGINEERS.

The technical inspection of the Engineer Company was satisfactory, all but one or two being qualified for their duties.

The attendance at the R.E. searchlight manpings and at the weekly practices at the dril emplecement at Kowlook has been poor. It is regretted that the Engineer Company find themselves unable to adopt the suggestion to organise a telephone section which would

A satisfactory start has at last been made with

include operators and linemen.

the intantry company and it is hoped that it abroad. may eventually reach its full establishment. The musketry training has been conducted greater weight because the tendency of inter-

on sound lines but would benefit by increased national competition has been to encourage range facilities. The Tai Hang range is in- China in the belief that she has merely to raise conveniently situated and unpopular in the hot weather. I recommend that the King's Park as she requires. Easy borrowing makes 182 post cards bearing the imitation of postage Range become the volunteer range and that the Volunteer Reserve Association be allowed the occasional use of it. At present this range is in the hands of the association, which is of surance that once the has given a bond she In only a few cases could return to senders be small value from a military point of view, while the Volunteers, are only allowed to use it tors choose to exact is neither, friendship nor occasionally.

done at the annual camp at Stonecutters bondholder. But sooner or later a reaction i and though every credit is due to the men who | certain to ensue; and it is an interesting specu do this work in their leisure time, often at the I lation how far the. "growing intolerance of end or beginning of a hard day's civil work, I foreign' guidance, and 'assistance" has been it cannot be said that the military value of the | fostered by a tale of loosely drawn contracts camp is equal to the expenditure involved. harthly and even unfairly enforced. The Most men are only present at irregular inter- | Neapolitan proverb 'a clear bargair, a long The total number of Chinese registered afternoon so that units seldom work at full it is in China to-day, and it may equalarticles delivered by the Chinese Branch at the strength, a system, which is most unsatisfactory by be said that an understanding of friend both for the instructors and instructed.

held in the New Territories for a week or eight | be that almost any concession was worth the days and that endeavours should be made to | making-even at the cost of admitting a third get employers to allow men to be present con- party into what has traditionally been regarded tinuously for at least three or four days of that time. If such a camp were run on lines which bore some resemblance to service conditions an economy could be effected and the training im: I ticular question has been settled we do not proved. All preliminary drills and instructions of gun layers, etc. should be done in the fort; I that an agreement has been reached which night preceding camp so as not to waste time

be recruited up to its establishment. An incentive would be given to the movement if the | with the avowed intention of the Szechusnese Government could see its way to bring pressure to bear on its employees to join the Corps.

From a general point of view there can be no doubt as to the value of encouraging all the able- | changed within the last few days by the deterbodied citizens to fit themselves to take a part actual addition to the fighting strength of the number of members of the Corps are in employments from which they could not be spared

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1909.

CHINA'S RAILWAY PROBLEM.

Recent mails from Home contain reports of

an instructive lecture delivered by Mr. A. J. Barry, M.S.C.E., at the Royal Society of Arts, on "Railway Devalopment in China," The lecture is interesting in itself; even more so as evidence of the increasing attention that this subject has begun to attract in Europe, pro-Chinese themselves towards railway questions. As Mr. Barry pointed out, the history of the progress of railway enterprise in China divides was the attempt of foreigners to win Chinese consent to their constructing railways in China, folled by the "fenatical and strenuous opposition of the governing classes," Next Bangkok, is expected here shortly when all the analysis of the reserve for exchange fluctuations. The question of the reserve for exchange fluctuations. The question of the case specially is small that the set of the case specially in the part of the case specially in the case specially in the part of the case specially in the part of the case specially in the case specially in the part of the case specially in the part of the case specially in the part of the case specially in the case specially in the part of the case specially in the case specially in the part of the case specially in the case specially in the part of the case specially in the case speciall good here. Stem Olerver. ... Apochets. The chare capital is 2,000,000 floring. hands, patting their pride in their pockets. ... Japon Chremicia.

But it is too late to think of such a possibility now, avan if it avar axisted. As an alternative we have the brinciple of

State ownership which Mr. Barry naturally advocates as the master-key to successful rail way development in China. That principle inspired the whole course of negatiation, for the Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo Railway loan, ho quote but one instance. It prompted the appointment, of Grand Councillor. Chang Chile tung as Director-General of railway affairs throughout the Empire; and there is no doubt that its importance is fully recognized at Poklug although so far the practice of it is more honoured in the breach than the observance The centralization of railway management is not only estential as a practical sign of the ability of Paking to control the provinces. As Mr. Barry points out, the Chihese rallway system is in its infancy; it amounts to no more than 5,000 miles, and before it can compare with that of India for example, another 30,000 miles at least must be constructed. golden opportunity is thus provided to avoid the numerous anomalies arising from private ownership in other countries by the logugues. (i.) All practice should be carried out under | tion of a " definite policy and a definite programme," under the control of a strong and capable railway department or board in Peking -Mr. Barry, uses a mild expression in saying that the present Board of Communications 'et falls short of this"—"so constituted as to command the confidence of the foreign investor (a,) Fire discipline and fire tactics require and strong enough to command respect more attention. In former years marks | everywhere in China itself." Once that board were only awarded for fire discipline and were established and its authority fire effect. This year, marks were allotted I recognized, there is little doubt but for fire tactics also. Such points as ap- | the railway problem would solve itself. But preciation of situations, selection of to admit the necessity of any given stop in positions, etc., being duly allotted marks. | Chipa is unfortunately little evidence that B.C.s were new to these conditions, and that step will be taken; and in the meantime a marked improvement was noticeable. the only clear course is to endeavour to reconcile or at least to molilly the present-conflict (b.) The Battery Staffs require more train- of interests. For the 30,000 miles of China's ing and are also in some cases not com- I future railways Mr. Barry estimates that some plete. It is almost impossible to lay too L200,000,000 will be required. It is difficult, great stress on the importance of a well to say the least, to see whence so much money trained staff, failing which a battery is a lis to be obtained. The theory, that capital will build railways and that the railways in (c.) The gun drill was good, layers and turn will gield interest enough to repay the fore setters accurate, and the actual ser- capital is excellent on paper, but hitherto vice of the guns showed careful training. has fallen rather deplorably short in practice. The possibility of one enermous everloan to pay off existing debts and start China afresh has been suggested. But in the present condition of Chinese administration such an expedient would merely seem to hasten that era of foreign control of China's finances which is already considered by many observers to be only too near. As Mr. Barry says, money in China can command so much higher a rate of interest, that the 5 per cent Imperial loon is not likely to tempt the native capitalist very far; and assuredly China "wi have to find some new source of revenue before I she can horsow much more money" from

Such considerations naturally have the her hand in order to obtain as much money proverbially hard repayment; and the temptation that prevails in some quarters to be China's banker on any terms, in the av may be forced to: add to it whatever her cred good business. Up to a certain point such a practice may, no doubt, work successfully Although a great deal of useful work is | enough from the standpoint of the particular vals for an hour's work in the morning and friendship " was never more applicable than ship is an essential condition of more bargains I recommend that future camps should be in the future. From the point of view it may as the British sphere of influence—that would guard the Canton-Hankow railway from un-

sound financial administration. How that pareven yet know exactly." We have been told looked upon as "a satisfactory compromise but in one respect at least we are bound It is a regrettable fact that the Corps cannot point out that the agreement (so far as terms have been disclosed) collides directly to admit no operation of foreign capital for railway enterprise within their province. More than this the position of affairs has been mined intervention of America. Not imposin the defence of the Empire but as regards the sibly the whole negotiations will have to be begun again de novo. In that case it is to be Colony it must be remembered, that a large I hoped that the British Government will not persist in the attitude of aloulyess, which by yesterday's telegram, it seems auxious to adopt. Financial groups acting in independence are own and their shareholders'-advantage; and too many other interests are bound up in China's railway problem to permit of its being success-C. D. News.

RAUB 'RESULTS,

19th ultimo:-

Bukit Koman,-Stone crushed 3,609 tons dwis, 23 grains.

·Bukit. Malacca.—Stone crushed 2,355 tons Gold obtained 96 ounces; Average per ton 19

WILD ANIMALS IN ROBE.

THE CRUISER "CHITOSE."

PRESENTATION BY H. A. L.

A very pleasant function took place on board the Japanese cruiser Callote on her arrival here from the South, the occasion being the presentation to the officers of the ship of a handsome place of allverware by the directors of the Hamburg-America Line for services renderad to the H. A. L. steamer Loongmoon t the Chitoss last year, reports the Shanghai Marcury-of 25th ult. It will be remembered by our readers that last November, while the Loonemoon was on the run between Viadivos tock and Tsuruga on the N. W. coast of Japan, she left the latter port and when a few miles distant she broke her tail shaft. Fortungtely the ship was not far from the land and therefore anchored while waiting for assistance to come from Tsurugs. It was at first intended to tow the disabled vessel to Nagasaki which would, have proved an expensive undertaking. Meanwhile "Mr. G. Daviels. Superintendent Engineer of the H. A. L., had proceeded to the scene of the accident and he was able to make griggements with the Japanesa Government to effect repairs at the new payal station of Shin-Maixuru, about ten hours steaming from where the accident happened The cruiser Chitois, which was in the vicinity, to be placed before a general meeting on the was, therefore ordered to take the Loongwiden in tow and proceed with her to the station, which was done, the officers and men of the cruiser, rendering every assistance possible. After about ten hours towing Shin-Mairuru was reached and a Japanese cruiser that was in dock for repairs was taken out and the Loongmoon was docked and the necessary repairs made under the supervision of Mr. C Daniels, the Tapanese Government rendering every assistance possible to the ship. The Japagese made no charges for their services beyond their actual expenses. This fact and a full account of the accident was forwarded to the home office by Mr. Daniels and as a mark of appreciation the head office had a magnificent silver table ornament standing over I two lest high prepared to be presented to the officers of the Chilose as a memento of the very viluable and kind services rendered to "their kong on or about Friday, the 9th instant. ship when in a disabled and helpless condition. The ornament, which stands nearly two feet high rests on a silver base representing an ascient ship in a rough sea with the waves washing about her. Above this is a globe on top of which is a female figure holding an anchor and sail representing commerce, and alongside of this is a figure of Mercury. The ornament, which is a fine work of art and reflects great credit on the designer, bears a suitable inscription in German stating what it was pre sented for.

The handsome table decolation arrived here from Germany a few days ago, and as soon as the Chilose arrived here from the South, Mr. G. Daniels, accompanied by Mr. H. Eitaki, Japanmin Consul-General, and a number of prominent residents of the Japanese Colony, proceeded to the cruiser by a special launch provided by the Mitsui Company. On reaching the cruiser ment were then served and the healths of H.M. the Emperor, the Chitose and her officers; the H. A. L., Mr. Daniels and others were proposed and honoured.

PLACUES ON THE AMAZON

MOSQUITOES AND BATS AS BLOOD-SUCKERS

Yesterday we (Japan Chronicle) had short paragraph giving an account of the hard ship endured by the crew-of a steamer, on the Ameson; who were severely bitten mosquitoes, a large proportion of them succumbing to the ravages of malaris introduced by the linsect bites, Mosqui toes, it may be remarked, are not the only plagues on the Amazon. Dr. Alfred Russel Wallace, in his "Travels on the Amazon at Rio Negro," describes a species of bat to be found on these rivers, which, be believes, does much injury to the horses and cattle by sucking their blood; and it also attacks men, when t has the opportunity.

"The species of blood sucking bats," be says, "seems to be numerous in the interior, They do not inhabit houses, like many of the frugivorous bats, but enter at dusk through any aperture they may find. They generally attack the tip of the toe, or sometimes any other part of the body that 'may be exposed. have myself been twice bitten, once on the necessarily limited in their outlook by their too, and the other time on the tip of the nose: in neither case did I feel anything, but awoke after the operation was completed; in I what way they effect it is still quite unknown. fully handled without the authority and detach- The wound is a small round hole, the bleedment that belong to a Government alone,....N. log of which it is very difficult to stop, It can hardly, be a bite, as that would awake the sleeper; it seems most probable that it is either: a succession, of gentle scratches with the sharp edge of the teeth, gradually wearing away the skip, or a triturating with The following is the result of crushing the point of the tongue, till the same effect is operations at Raub for the four weeks ending I produced. My brother was frequently bitten by them, and his opinion was that the bat applied one of its long canine teeth to the part, and Gold obtained 904 ounces; Average per ton 5 then flew round and round on that as a ceptre, till the tooth, acting as an awl, bored a small hold: the wings of the bat serving, at the same time, to fan the patient into a deeper slumber. He several times awoke while the bat was at work, and though of course the creature immediately flew away, it was his forget to obtain a Consular certificate for the impression that the operation was conducted invoice. In assessing the value of imported in the manner above described. Many per- goods for duty the American Customs authorisons are particularly annoyed by bats, while ties make strict investigations by various others are free from their attacks. An old Mulatto | means, and the cartificated invoice is not relied Those in the pelgbbourhood of the Bastern at Guia, on the Upper Rio Negro, was bitten all on solely as a basis. Some Japanese have a gards the conveyance of coolies from Billiton | to admit foreign skill and capital for their con- | Customs Pier on Thursday morning last, 17th | most every night and though there was frequent- | misunderstanding on this point. Such a pinc. and Banca to Hongkong and vice versa; struction "on mutually advantageous terms," when the Sanuki-maru arrived in port, ly half-a-dozen other persons in the room, he tice as giving a false value on the invoice mint. Fower vessels had to be chartered last year Finally we reach the stage that is now so might have seen a strange assertment of wild would be the party favoured by their attentions. be strictly avoided. It is necessary for Japan. ning of the present year the Norddeutscher | owing to the smaller quantity of cargo familiar, a stage of growing intolerance of beasts and birds being landed from that | Once he came to us with a doleful counterance, ess business men engaged in the export of Lloyd had; a coaling station at Koh-si-Chang. offering on the outward trips, but there foreign guidance and assistance other than vessel. The collection numbered 39 large telling us, he thought the hate mount to cat goods to America to be equipped with a The coal was brought from Pulo Laut by was an improvement with respect to the financial. In the most recent development, to and small animals, all from Singapore, com- him up quite, for, having covered up his bands general knowledge of American laws relating steamer and stored in two targe hulks, from homeward-trade. Some of the Company's which, however, mr. Barry-does not refer, prising one young tiger, eight makes, 21 mon- and feet in a blanket, they had descended to the importation of goods—for example, the whome it was supplied to ships. This ar. boats called at Saigon in order to obtain a resistance begins to extend even to financial keys, two loopards, one case beneath his hammock of open network, and, Pere Food Act. rangement was in force for about two years but | share in the conveyance of rice to Java; The co-operation, It is this latter phase that has sowary, two lyaxes, two herons, and one copper attacking the most part of his per- (6) Term of Payment, The term of payment. phoseant. They were received by Mr. Fukunage | son, had bitten him through a hole in his of drafts drawn on the shipment of goods to was hoped it would and for that reason was of 14,085 florins, and this sum was added to nese sallway development is now watched. Zenkichl of Moto-machi, 1-chome, placed in a trousers ! We could not help laughing at the America is generally 60 days after sight, though lighter and conveyed to the Eastern Customs | catastrophe, but to him it, was no laughing it varies according to agreement between the

She was at length so much weakened by loss. of blood, that fears were entertained of her life. I (the regular term, is four months wher sight if they continued their attacks; and it was found but generally ten days after sight at & discount

curiosity of the thing; to be bitten by a but is very disagreeable." They will, however, very rarely onter a lighted room, and for this reason the practice of burning a lamp all night is almost universal."

> JAPANESE DUCK COS. THE KAWASAKI DOCKYARD.

The regular half-yearly getteral mosting of the Kawasaki Dockyard Company, Kobb, for the last half-year was called for the 25th piting A dividend for the period is proposed at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, 4 per cent. len than for the preceding period. The distribution of profit is as follows :-

Surplus brought over ...... 35,454

Placed to reserve ..... Y55,000 dividend ........ 250,000 Carried forward...... 58,606

YOKOHAMA DOCK COMPANY.

The Yokohama Dock Company proposes to pay a dividend for the last half-year at the rate of 12 per cent, per annum, which proposal was a6th ultimo, together with a resolution to raise a foreign loan of Y1,000,000 required for the opening of an iron-works, watchouse, and Customs broker's business in addition to the business of shipbuilding and repairing of vessels and tug-boats in which the company has hitherto been engaged. We understand that the loan has already been arranged.

*Trike at Marsrilles.* 

FRENCH MAIL DELAYED.

We are officially informed that the M. M. Co.'s s.s. Caledonien has been delayed at Marseilles for four days on account of strike, and consequently she is expected to arrive at thong-

SHORTCOMINGS OF JAPANESE BUSINESS-MEN.

REPORT BY A JAPANESE CONSUL.

Recently the Commercial Bureau in the Foreign Office issued instructions to Japanese Consuls abroad, ordering them to report on foreign opinion regarding the shortcomings or defects of Japanese business-men in their! transactions abroad. The following raply from the Japanese Consul in Chicago is published in apanese papers :--- .

PRACTICES OF JAPANESE DISLIKED, BY FOREIGNERS."

(1) The Lack of Experience among Japanese Business-men of Foreign Trade,-In consethe party adjourned to the Commander's quence of this failing, foreign business-men. cabin where Mr. Daniels, in a. few well desiring to open up direct trade with the Japanchosen words, presented the piece of silver-, ese have not infrequently failed in their object. ware to the Commander and officers and proreign merchanis are subjected to great spoke in very complimentary terms of the inconvenience on account of ignorance on the valuable services that had been rendered part of the Japanese as to the common to the Locugmon when she was in distress, form of invoice, the process of drawing drafts and told how the Chitoss towed her, to and settling the price of goods. Some Japanese safety and stood by her in rough weather on a business-men- are known to reply in Japanese dangerous coast. Mr. Daniels' remarks were or in unintelligible Roglish to inquiries made' translated by "r. Eitake, after which the by foreign business-men. To remedy these Commander of the Chilose seturned thanks on defects, it may be recommended that instrucbehalf of himself and officers and said the gift | tion in the practical business routine of foreign would always be looked upon as one of the trade be given at commercial schools and other most prized possessions of the ship. Refresh educational institutes available for the purpose while Chambers of Commerce should give full information on application regarding the procedure in the transactions of foreign trade. . If Japanese business men are prepared to reply at once to applications from foreign business-men to open direct trade, it will largely assist in developing business, [Instruction in practical] business routine, it may be remarked, is given already in all Japanese commercial schools.]

(2) Impracticability of Doing Business & Samples. - Complaints are heard of the up. nunctuality in the delivery of goods ordered from Japanese business-men and the serious difference between the quality of the goods delivered and that of the samples. 'It may not be easy to produce articles identical in quality with the samples because in Japan goods are manufactured principally by hand, but the defects must be remedied by machines being used in manufacturing the goods. Nota few merchants in Chicago who import Japanese goods. in any large quantity either send their agents. to lapan each year to buy stocks or import them through the medium of foreign merchants in Japan. They do not feel sufficient confidence to buy goods direct from Japanese:

(3) Labels on Goods.—Slips or labels pasted on goods exported should be written or printed. in English. Goods to which slips or labels in Tananese are affixed are liable to be mistaken for Chinese goods, as in the eyes of foreigners it is difficult to distinguish between the Chinese and Japanese writing. Foreign merchants prefer to have the labels printed in English.

(4) Signboards in Japanese.—Japanese shops n America sometimes display signboards written in Japan. Shops which make the Japanese their principal customers may be employing these signs for the purpose of attracting Japinese, but the boards appear to create a peculiar impression on the Americans. This may seem a trivial matter, but as a matter of fact the signboards not only drive away American customers, but tend to create a febling: among the Americans that the Japanese are not more amenable to American manners and customs than the Chinese.

"SPECIAL COMMERCIAL CUSTOMS,"

(5) Points in Business Transactions. The value of imported goods as a basis for Custom's duty is assessed by the U.S. Customs according to the invoice costified by the American Consul at the port of shipment. Shippers must not

parties. Arrangement in Chicago for the sertieto days, so days, and op days after sight. For most cases 30 days flor sight, ten lon days

28th ulto.

## An Unfounded Rumour.

REPORTED ASSASSINATION OF THE GOVERNOR OF MACAO.

TELEGRAPHIC DENIAL.

Persistent rumours were in circulation in town yesterday to the effect that the Governor of Macao had been assassinaled. Throughout the afternoon this office was besieged with inquiries as to the truth or otherwise of the silly | the Club's Diamond Jubilce by holding a rumour. Of course, in every case we felt in the comfortable position of being able to assure the inquirer that the report was a mendacious fabrication. Of all men in Macao at the present time, one would imagine that Governor Rocadas should be the very last to care any one's displeasure. From the moment he assumed the reins of administration he manifested his unmistakable sympathics with the Chinese whose interests it was his determined policy to protect and promote in 'all that concerned them' as citizens of the territory under his administration. Governor Regadas is not a man of words only; he believes in action, and has lived up to his declared policy.

We are pleased to be able to state that telegraphic inquiries addressed to Macao elicited the information that the Hongkong rumour is wholly unfounded.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY SCHEME.

MORE, FUNDS REQUIRED FOR ACQUISITION OF-GUARTER.

We have received the following official co.nmunication for publication:-Mr. Mody has consented to keep his offer (of providing the buildings for the University) open till the end of the year.

He did so in a confidential communication to the Governor some time sito, but desired that it should not be made known until the six months (ending June 30th.) was on the point of completion, in order that the collection of the funds for endowment should be stimulated.

The greater part of the amount required has how been promised, but it is necessary, on the one hand, that the promised donations should be actually paid in to the Treasurer and, on the other hand, it must be remembered that the sumnamed, £100,000 Endowment and £10,000 for Equipment) was the minimum amount estimated to start a University of two or perhaps three chairs only. When that minimum had been realised it would justily Mr. Mody in undertaking the buildings and Government in giving the site and accepting the gift from Mr. Mody.

But to make the University really efficient and to establish Chairs in other subjects larger endowment will be required in order that more Professors may be appointed, and i is hoped that a fully adequate sum will be raised to "make the University thoroughly

It is stated in The Lancet, referring to the establishment of the new Bristel University. that the minimum amount qualifying for a Charter is £250,000. Inquiry is being made regarding the trnth of this statement, if it should be true and should apply to the Hongkong University it is clear that a considerable sum remains to be raised before a Charter can be applied for.

assuming the present minimum endowment and equipment fund to be raised, and putting the value of the site and buildings at £50,000, the total stands at £160,000.

### STRAITS CO-OPERATION.

. The Stratts Etho has pleasure in announcing that Straits" Chinese are taking a sympathetic Interest in the Hongkong University Scheme. At Penang, in particular, some Chinese philanthropists with a "warm side" to the cause of education have already promised handsome donations, and it is considered a certainty that the local kongsts will soon do something. It is not considered advisable at the moment to mention names or sums.

Dr. Chan has personally interested himself in the matter, and has been in correspondence with Hongkong. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, solicitor of that Colony, has gratefully acknowledged his assistance in disseminating locally knowledge of what was being done and what was wanted Messrs. Leong Lok Hing and Lim Seng Hopi have been requested to collect sub scriptions locally for the University Endowment Fund. Mr. Ta'o, who is Honorary Secretary to the Hongkong Committee, mentions that up to the 8th ultimo Hongking-Chinese subscriptions totalled \$ 70,000. Saigon merchants had already subscribed \$10,000 towards the \$100,000 they had promised. H.E. Chenng Pat Sr. better known in the Straits as Mr. Thio Tiau Siat, had personally guaranteed to raise one lakh of dollars from the districts of Wai Chow, Chiu Chow, and Ka Hing, within three

STOWAWAYS. SIR TREDERICK LUGARD'S DESPATCH TO

A Melbourne despatch of 1st ult. says :-The Minister for External Affairs has received advice from the Governor of Hongkong, Sir F. D. Lugard, that twenty Chinese were discovered on the steamer Eastern last December, and were returned to Hengkong, and intimating that they were charged before the local police magistrate as stowaways and sentenced to nine months each, with hard labour.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT.

Information in a despatch forwarded through the Governor-General to the Governor of Hongkong contained the names of persons concerned in the stowing away. A reply from the Governor includes a report from the Chie Superintendent of Police, stating that these persons, who were tingleaders in the affair, left the colony directly the stowaways were brought back. The report adds: " If I hear of any of them returning, I will recommend their benishment."

Information was also received that the eight hard labour, and that the person on this steamer made to co-operate with the Federal Govern-

Mr. Batchelor said : "While in Sydney, on my

A Diamond Jubilee.

VICTORIA BECREATION CLUB. JULY 10, 1849-1909.

There are probably few Clubs in the Orient whose records go farther back than those of the Victoria Recreation Club whose members will on Saturday week, the 10th July, celebrate Swimming Felo in the afternoon and a concart in the evening in the Club's spacious Gymnasium. It was in the year 1849, eight years after Hongkong was coded to the British. that the Club's history began, and since then its development has been coincident with that of the island. The Club stands for all that tends to brace up the man and youth physically; for the healthgiving open air and outdoor sports ; and it is this outdoor principle which binds the members. All institutions in their progress necessarily expand their original domain, and thus to-day the Victoria Recreation Club has become of some reckoning as a social, as well as a sporting institution of the Colony. .. Its three great annual events, the Regatta in December, the Athletic Sports in April, and the Aquatic Sports in September, are not alone red letter

occasions for sport, Henry Cox were discovered a number of old -a -Regatta Club in the Colony, the follow piratical proclivities. This left the brunt of the .... Up to the present nothing has been definite: ing gentlemen were present :- Messrs, Walter MacKean, Murrow, Lt. Lugg, R. A., Lt. Phillpotts, R.E. Lieut, J. N. Sargent, 95th Regt., Lt. Maxwell, 95th Regt., J. Fagan, T. Jones, G. Findley, J. B. Compton and W. T. Mercer. The sheet bears the date 11th July, 1849-sixty. vearingo. Such a document is nigh as keen a stimulant to moralising as is an hour on London Bridge; but one must subordinate the sentiment; the reader himself can give free play to that when he. has scanned the epitomised story of those long gone days.

"The applied subscription to the Club funds was then \$5, to be paid in advance and any member on joining subsequently and paying the sum of \$1¢ was considered a Life Member. The minutes of the appointment of officers are worded in such a unique manner that we fail to understand how the Secretary and Treasurer found their respective duties. It reads thus "That Mr. C. Sinart and Mr. T. Jones be elected to hold jointly and separately the combined offices of Secretary and Treasurer." We cannot explain how these two gentlemen managed to fulfil the letter of their appointments.

Since those days, however, the Club has made big leaps and bounds, and to-day the Club membership list includes nearly every y: ung man of the Colony, and there is now a roll of membership totalling something over 400. The Club is growing old, but Clubs are not like men; they become more vigorous with age. It is thus with the Victoria Recreation Club, and, in its sixtleth year, it is atronger than ever it was, is more respected and has a brighter future. Long live the V.R.C.

> ABTHERLANDS INDIA COMMERCIAL BANK.

DIVIDEND DECLARED.

We are informed that telegraphic advice has been received by the local manager of the Bank that a dividend of to per cent for the year ending 3 tst December, 1908, has been declared.

N. Y. K. SERVICE.

WIRELESS ON PACIFIC: LINERS.

The Mainichi Dempe reports, according to the Japan Herald, that the wireless telegraphic service on the European liners of the N. Y. K. is to be opened from next, year, but as to the arrangement for the purpose on land there will be no necessity to make any enlargement. Owing to the remarkable progress of "wireless," communication can now be made over a distance of 1,200 miles. As to communication on the American route, it was once talked of to establish an office at Kinkwasan besides Choshi and Ochiishi; but now no inconvenience is experienced though no station was established at Kinkwasan. What is thought and-it is now under consideration by the authorities. 'As to the communication on the coasts of the Japan Sea, the office is establish- D. News. . ed only at Tsunoshima. It is said that one more may be established according to the result of the experimental service of the Kagoshima Maru which has recently had apparatus installed and that in Formosa one more office will be established within this year. ,.

HONGKONG BANK ROBBBRY. APPLICATION FOR RETURN OF LADY'S JEWELLERY.

Soon after Mr. Nunn took his seat this mornion, says the Straits Echo, of June 22, Mr. 1. The following editorial comments appear in Samuel, of the firm of Messrs. Presgrave and the N. C. D. News of 25th alto. :- Judging by postponed till Friday, the 25th inst.

cation on behalf of Miss Boyle. He said that I not clearly stated but apparently within the last Hongkong; that when the latter was arrested in | able deposits of guano. That Pratas Island is jewellery, which they handed over to the Penang I ment was quite prepared to admit; it asked

Piracy in Deep Bay.

JUNK PASSENGERS BOUND AND GAGGED.

ARRESTS EFFECTED DY WATER POLICE.

News of a daring piracy which was perpetrated the other day in the very boart of civilisation, as it were, reached us early this forencon. The occurrence was as during in its nature as it was unexpected in its perpetration, and that the Police should have been able to bring to book some of the culprits concomed reflects the greatest credit on the efficiency of those composing the local Force. This latest outrage is yet another instance that there are pirates of the deepest dye infesting the surrounding waters of the Colony-men who of atrocity if a moderate haul is assured.

outrage as they are available, it should be stay in Hongkong. stated for the information of our readers that the circumstances leading up to the daring sea | Consul for Portugal in Hongkong, paid an robbery are such as may point a moral to the official visit to H.E. Kao Erh-chien at his reinexpediency of carrying out the retrenchment | sidence. ... The compliment was returned this policy tod far. It may be remembered that | afternoon when, at 3 p.m., His Excellency recently Government had decided to adopt a | Kao, attended by his secretary, Mr.: Wu, and policy of retrenchment in the various depart- accompanied by Mr. Harris, Commissioner of Among the papers of the late Mr. James ments. Following this policy of cutting the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs, calldown expenses, it was announced the other | ed at the Portuguese Consulate and expressed records of the original Victoria Regatta Club, day that the Police Department was putting | the hope that the friendly relations initiated which may interest not only those residents up No. 3 Police launch for sale. No. 3 Between the two representatives might be at of Hongkong associated with the V.R.C., but Police launch broke down lately and has since | cordially maintained—a hope which, needless to many other residents of the Colony. The been laid up for repairs. Thus it came to to say, was very cordially reciprocated. following is an extract;-!'At a meeting held mass that there was no launch left for the At 12.30 p.m., to day, the Chinese Commisat the Hongkong Club House this day, patrol of the extensive stretch of water in Deep | sioner made his official call on His Excellency pursuant to notice, for the purpose of forming. Bay, whose population boast of a gotoristy for | the Governor. work on No. 1 launch, which was left to do all Davidson, P. Dudgeon, C. J. A. Stuart, E. the patrolling work which were previously done and where the Conference is to be held Porcita, P. Campbell, Capt. Staveley, T. W. L. by three launches. Now without detracting from the noted efficiency of the Police, it could not be expected that one solitary launch could successfully carry out the performance of duties which of right belonged to three. It may further be stated that the Police stationed at Pingchow has also been withdrawn, and as a sort of compensation for these cheese-paring | ed by the Society for the Protection of Boundary measures, the Government tender Stanley Rights, Very judiciously, the Vicercy has was brought into requisition to do Police duty at long intervals. But this did not proceedings at that meeting lest the minds of fully make up for the short-handedness caused by the unusual circumstances already. outlined. The bolder spirits of Daep Bay. keenly watchful as they are for the slightest opportunity to effect a haul, recognised in the fact that the Water Police were undermanned a good chance for putting into practice their neferious plans. In this they did not fail, for on the night of Tuesday last, they successfully evaded Rolice vigilance and born for a fish ing lunk with a number of peaceful crew on board. No sooner were the robbers aboard the lunk, then they ordered the frightened fishermen to keep a strict silence under pain of death. They then bound and gagged their unfortunate victims and landed them on an island, whence they were taken away by the robbers.

> It-is reported that a number of arrests has been effected. There are doubtless other evil characters who have managed to avoid Police vigilance and it is even suggested that they would not hestitate to attack the launch Marlow which is engaged in towing junks with valuable stores to the Railway. Such store as explosives, etc. would be a valuable requisition to the sea-rovers. An immense stretch of water affords these lawless bandits an excellent opportunity to molest peaceful people with every hope of successful escape from pursuit and it is to be hoped increased Police vigilance will prevent further outrages being committed in a locality which is noted for its evil characters.

With reference to the piracy in Deep Bay which took place on the 23nd instant, reference to which appeared in our last issue, two men were brought up before Mr. F. A. Hazeland (First Police Megistrate) at the Magistracy this morning and a formal remand was obtained for a weak.

> THE PRATAS ISLANDS. · SETTLEMENT IN SIGHT.

The difficulty with regard to the ownership of the Pratas Islands is nearing a solution Tapan proposes to sink her claim to the islands provided China duly compensates the Japanese settlers who have established themselves there, for their property. China is now said to be proposing to purchase the plant on the island most important at present is to establish an at the price asked by the Japanese, and suggests efficacious stand on a large scale near Tokyo I that a Chinese and Japanese commission shall investigate the actual conditions prevailing in I the island with a view to a settlement.—N. C.

> COMMISSION APPOINTED. Tokio, June 24.

H. E. Chang Jen-chun, the Viceroy at Canton, has agreed to a joint investigation of Pratas Island by Chinese and Japanese Commissioners with a view to the settlement of the compensation to be paid to the Japaness settlers. The Viceroy has appointed a Chinese Commissioner, and Japan will be represented by Mr. A. Segawa, Japanese Consul at Canton -N. C. D. News.

Matthews, mentioned the case of Lim Chee 1 the telegrams from Tokio this week the Prates | Cho Chung Lung, \$36,500,----Saing who is charged with embezzlement of Island controversy is in a fair way to arrive at large sums of money belonging to the Hong- a settlement. The dispute dates from about -kong and Shanghai-Banking-Corporation. He I the beginning of last March, at which time a asked his Worthip to fix a date to proceed with | party of Cantonese fishermen complained that the pfeliminary inquiry and the hearing was I they had been driven from Pratas Island and the adjoining waters by Japanese colonists, who had At this stage, Mr. Wreford made an appli- I taken possession of the island (at what time is-

MACAO BOUNDARY QUESTION. CHINESE COMMISSIONER IN HONGKONG.

Very shortly, it may be expected the labours of the Macao Boundary Commission will commeace in Hongkong. As already reported last week, the Portuguese Commissioner, General Toachim Machado, and sulto arrived in the Colony from Lisbon, and has since visited Macao where the Commissioner is holding a conference with the Governor of that Colony. General Machado is expected back in Hongkong to-morrow.

His Excellency Kan Erh-chlen, Chinese Commissioner, arrived from Canton by the Chinese gunboat Kwang To at 4.30 p.m. yesterday. H.E. the Governor sent his Aide-de-Camp, Capt. P H. M. Taylor, to most the cruiser on arrival, with a letter of welcome to His Excellency. would not hesitate to commit the grossest acts | His Excellency Kao, who is accompanied by Secretary IWu, and suite, has taken up his Before going into the scanty details of the residence at " Glenealy" Buildings during his

At 11 o'clock to-day, Mr. J. J. Leitia,

ly decided as to the date and place when These are matters that must be left for settlement at the preliminary meetings of the two Commissioners. In the meantime the agitation in Cauton continues unabated. Our Canton correspondent, in his letter printed clsewhorn in this issue, makes reference to the meeting in that City, on the 27th inst., convenprohibited the publication of the report of the ignorant natives—as distinct from the better class-might be agitated against the Portuguese. Our information derived from trustworthy sources in Canton is to the effect that various resolutions were adopted at the meeting on Sunday. The most important resolution, deals with the proposal for retaliation in the event of the Portuguese releasing to surrender the portions of territory, which they are alleged to have encroached. The meeting also resolved to nominate two de legates (since duly appointed) to proceed to Hongkong with a staff of native clerks whose business it will be to assist the Chinese Commissioner with, information, etc. during the progress of the Conference. It is hardly conceivable that these delegates will be accorded

GENERAL MACHADO'S RETURN.

any official status by the Special Commis-

cioners or be permitted to take part in the deli-

barations of the Commission.

General Machado and suits returned from Macao by the Portuguese gunboat Patria this morning. Upon leaving the Patria General Machado received a complimentary salute.

The Portuguese Commissioner has secured apartments at " Kingsclere," into which His Excellency, Senhor Cinatti and Capt. Norton moved from the Hongkong. Hotel this after-

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT CHINESE COMMISSIONERS

[From Our Own Correspondent,]

Canton, 29th June. At the request of the Special Imperial Delimitation Commissioner, H.E. Ko Yu Him, the Viceroy has appointed Messrs. Chow Sai. Kut Chaung and Hul Tung Wah to assist him in the conduct of pending negotiations with the Portuguese Commissioner.

AGITATION IN CANTON.

The Canton Self-Government Society has Issued circulars convening a public mass meet ing to take place to-day, the 29th instant, it connection with both the Fatshan incident and the question of the delimitation of Macao. I the opinion of most people the wording of the circular is couched in such terms as are cal culated to stir up the feelings of the people against the Portuguese in both these matters.

A PEKING, TELEGRAM. H.E. Liang Tun-yen; President of the Wai wupu, has telegraphed refusing to allow the Macao Boundary question to be negotiated in Peking.

HONGKONG DOCK CO.

LOWEST BIDDERS FOR MANILA CONTRACT

The Hongkong and Whampos Dock Com pany were the lowest bidders for six wooder lorchas for use by the Ouarter-master's Department at Manila, their figure being \$22,800, gold, for the six. The other bidders were: Wilson and Company, \$28,600; El Varadero de Manila, \$32,000 | Juan Rodriguer, \$35,300

-PROTECTION-OF-SONGBIRDS

THE JAPANESE NIGHTINGALE.

in Japan, especially in Tokyo, Osaka, and his client had accompanied Lim Chee Saing to three years) and were working it for its value other large cities, nightingales are very popular | weights to be raised all round, i.e., Top weight as pets, and the best specimens are said to starting to carry 161 lbs. that place, the local police took charge of her a Chinese possession the Japanese Govern- realise as much as a thousand yen. Last au- Mr. Dryasdust's Best Friend, ser lbs. tumn a few species of small birds were added to Hon: Mr. W. J. Gresson's Garth, 156 lbs. stowaways on the Prine Wuldenar had been police; he applied to them for the return of the for documentary evidence which Chine the list of those protected, the nighting ale being Mr. J. Johnstone's Just-in-Time, 154 lbs. same; but was told to get an order from a ma- | could not produce. There appears, how- among the number. We leave from the Osaka | Mr. Dryandust's Triad, 151 lbs. gistrate; that his clienthad been" brought "down ever, to be no doubt that Chinese dwell- Jijl that Inaba Genno oke, a dealer in song- Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lammerton, 148 who was responsible for their being stowed with Lim Chee Saing. [There was some argu- lings and even a Chinese temple were in birds at Awaberl, 1-cheme, Osaka, under the Mr. Lecson's Scaloam, 146 lbs." away fied the country on the vessel's arrival. | ment between opposing Counsel in regard to existence on the Island when the Japanese arr | dame of "Torigen," with an office in Wake- Mosars, Leah & Moore's Sportsman, 143 lbs. The Governor of Hongkong further intimated | the terms " came " and " brought " with refer- rived; and although the amazing ineria of yama has been charged with a violation of the Mr. Blank's Grey back, 143 lbs. that with regard to the sale and exchange of ence to Miss Boyle's transport from Hongkong | Chinese officialdom had permitted; others to | Game Law in this matter. Inaba has a reputa- Mr. J. Johnstone's Jas. McKin 140 lbs. naturalisation papers, every effort was being to Penange] Counsel, therefore, asked the court | discover the true value of the Island, it was | tion as the best trainer of nightingales in the | Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson's H.H., 138 lbs. to pass orders for the return of the jewellery to clearly impossible not to recognize the Kwansai district, and he is alleged to have Miss Boyle, contending that the police had no Chinese claim. Last Wednesday we were broken the law by continuing to catch Consul General of China at Melbourne; setting eventually Mr. Samuel asked that the application the Came Law, Bird Cortainly afferd a puticions basis for negotiation of relatives to the laterion-Japan Chronics. 17 | Shanghal Tag and Lighter Co.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THIRD MEETING. The programme of the third meeting to be held at the Happy Valley, on Saturday, 3rd fuly, (weather permitting) is as follows :---

subscription griffins of season 1908-09 (Sir Francis Piggott) and the Pulsas Judge. Weight for inches as per scale. Winders of an application was heard for leave to appeal one race at this season's gymkhanas, or at | against the decision of the Chief Justice roop meeting, to lbs, extra: two or more in the action brought by Messrs 8.5 J. races 14 lbs, extra. To be ridden by owners. David and Co. against their late com-Pony to have been the property of rider for pradors (Mr. Chan Ut Chiu) to recover the sum at least one month prior to date of entry. Entranco fee \$5. First prize: presented. and prize: \$25.00. 3rd prize: \$10.00 (Entrance) fees to go to winner).

Mr. Blank's Grey Back, 169\* lbs. Mr. D. L. M.'s Tamar, 1611 lbs. Mr. F. B. Deacon's " Butcher," 162† lbs. Mr. H. G. Moora's Lyamun, 255 lbs. Penalty of 10 lbs. \* Penalty of 14 lbs.

wins again when he will carry the full penaltive up to 15 lbs. Entrance fee \$5. 2nd prixa: \$15, (Half entrance fees to go to winner.)

Points awarded up to date are as follows :-Garth Triad totan account genieren ... Sportsman ..... Best Friend Mr. Dryasdust's Trind, 15tlbs.\*

Mr. Dryan-lust's Best Friend, -151lbs.\* Hop, Mr. W. J. Gresson's Garth, 156lbs. Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson's H. H., 146lbs. Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lummerton, 146lbs; Mr. Leeson's Seafoam, 151lbs."

- \* Penalty of 5 lbs. + Penalty of so lbs. 1.-4.10 p.m.-THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE HANDICAP.-For all China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. First prize: Presented., and prize \$25:00. 3rd prize: \$10. (Entrance fees to go

to winner), In the event of top weights not starting weights to be raised all round, i.e., top weight starting to carry 166lbs. Hon. Mr. W. I. Gresson's Garth, 166lbs. Mr. Dryasdust's Triad. 1611bs. Mr. J. Johnstone's Just-in-Time, 161]bs. Mr. F. B. Deacon's Dart, 158lbs. Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lammerton, 157lbs. Mr. J. Johnstone's Hertzblatt, 157lbs. Mr. O. C. R. Hill's Dreadnought, 152lbs. Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson's H. H., 151lbs. Admiral Lambtop's Kamranh, ISIlbs. Mr. J. Johnstone's Sir Heary, 1511bs. Mr. Leeson's Soudan, 149lbs. Mr. Blank's Sir Joseph, 146lbs. Mr. J. Johnstone's Jas. McKie, 144 lbs. Lieut. Beckwith's Cavalier, 140 lbs.

Commodoro Lyon's Swan, 138 lbs. Mr. K K's Droschkengaul, 137 lbs. 4 .-- 4.40 p.m, -- INDIVIDUAL TENT-PEGGING COMPETITION.-China ponies only to be used. Best of three runs. 3 Points for a Carry : 2 for a Draw and I for a Touch. The Judge has at his disposal :2 points for Pace and Style over all three runs. Lance exercise will not count towards style. Lances as supplied by the Club, or of a similar pattern must be used. Entrance fee Sz. A Cup will be presented at each Competition by the

Hongkong Gymkhana Club. Captain Barken -" The Buffe," Mr. C. H. Maxwell. Mr. C. H. Blason. Mr. M. M. Brice .- "The Buffs." Mr. W. S. Dupree. Major Katon .- " The Buffs." Captain Finch .- R.A. Mr. John Johnstone.

Mr. H. G. Moore.-R.A. Mr. F. Thicknesse.-R.A. Captain Leab.-R.A. Lieut, R. P. Wedd .- "The Buffs." Mr. H. J. Gedge. Mr. G. C. Moxon. Mr. Potter -" The Buffs."

5.-5.15 p.m. HURDLE RACE. ONE AND OUARTER MILE. - Over not less than eight flights of hurdles. For all China ponies. Catch weights 11 stones, 5 lbs. Jockeys who have not won more than a official races Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin, allowed lbs. 1st prize: presented. and prize: \$1 3rd prize: \$10. (Entrance fees to go to

Mr. D. L. M.'s Tamar, 159 lbs. Mr. Dryasdust's Best Friend, 150 lbs. Major H. Findlay's Polo Stick, 159 lbs. Mr. Gegg's. The Gift, 159 lbs. Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Little Dot Rose.

Mr. John Johnstone's Sir Henry, 150 lbs. Mr. John Johnstone's Blue Ruin, 159 lbs. Captain Leah's Macao, 159 lbs. Mr. E. Owen's Hourhand, 159 lbs. Mr. Thicknesse's Have a Bag, 159 lbs. 6.-5.40 p.m -ONE AND A QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE, HANDICAP For all China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. First prize: Pre-

sented by the Hongkong Gymkhama Club. and prize: \$25. 3rd prize: \$10. (Entrance fees to go to winner.) in the event of top weights not starting

claim to the same. The magistrate asked Mr. told that such recognition would be ac younguightingales since the new legislation was NEWS has been received in Shanghal that the way to New Guines, I met by appointment the | Samuel If he had any objection to the application for compensation to the adopted last autumn! Evidence having been | Standard Oil steamer Hudson From Taku Bar representatives of all the shipping companies | tion. Counsel, after a few minutes consulta- Japanese settlers. To-day a further telegram obtained by the police, he was arrested a few | with a cargo of salt for Eching, near Chin; trading with the East; and asked them to assist | tion, with Chief Detective Insp. Kirke, opposed, states that Commissioners of both nationalities. days ago. On examination, he confessed that | klang, was badly ashore on the Middle Bank in the department by adopting a system of regis- the application. He stated that a portion of are about to proceed to the latent over three hundred young the North Channel. The news was first brought tration of passports for their Chinese crews. the property in question might belong to Miss mand for compensation does not appear to be birds in the neighbourhood of Rokkosan, Shi to Shankhall by the steamer Oriental who They were without exception desirousoi assist. Boyle; he was positive that the other portion altogether equitable, That Japan has already kisan in Nara, and in Kishu since the beginning reported seeing the Hudson ashore, and the ing, and undertook, subject to the up froy of of belonged to Lim Chee Saing—at any rate, he as good as admitted Chinase ownership of the of last month, when the breeding season open—vessel flying signals and asking that assistance their ownership of the suggestion of the de- had reason to believe, the latter ordered the Island, is proved by her expressed willingness ed, and that most of the birds had been disposed be sent out to her. Towboats and lighters have pertment. This, coupled with satisfactory as | things, but had not paid for them. Counsel on certain conditions to recognize that fact. In of in Osaka. He had in his house over a been sept to the scene and after the vessel has summers we have had of the sympathy of the further maintained that the property was in the light of the hundred, which he was training. The bleds been light entitles being been light entitles being been light entitles been light of the bleds been light of the property was in the light of th anthorities at Hongkong, and a circular by the "sale keeping." Some argument ensued and I stand convicted of trespass and the man was prosecuted on a refloated without any damage as the place where she is ashore is all mud bottom. The water is seems suffer in the strengt to land, land to be in a position to ther China has accepted the idea of companies from Torigen are said to be in a before next Monday. The vessel has a list of penting them to likely acquaint himself well with the facts. The copiet tion or whether she merely proposes to buy the state of penic. Some of their liventy degrees to port and the work of lighten to be an expectation in the faints As they have concurred, and the application was postposed plant on the island. But the latter idea should birds from while others are sending them to ing her is being rapidly carried forward by the

THE YARN DISPUTE.

INTERESTING APPEAU AT THE SUPREME COURT.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before .- 1.30 p.m. -ONE MILE FLAT RACE -For the Full Court, consisting of the Chief Justice \$648,816.67 and interest at the rate of \$8 per centum per annum from the date the writ was issued and until payment or judgment. This large claim was alleged to have arisen in connection with dealings in cotton yarn, for which, the plaintiffs alleged, the compradors was liable. The defendant entered a counter-claim to recover the sum of \$55,000, alleged to have been deposited with them. This was denied. Mr. Duncan McNeill, a Shanghai barrister, 3.-3.50 p.m.-GYMKHANA STAKES .- Value | with whom was Mr. C. J. Alabaster, Instructed Stoo. Distance one mile. For all China by Messrs. A. G. Jackson and H. J. Gedra (of

popies. Catch weights at to st. 6 lbs. Win- Messrs, Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared pers of an open race or open griffin race 5 on behalf of the appellants, Sir Henry Berke-Ibs. extra. Non-winning subscription griffins ley, K.C., assisted by Mr. M. W. Slade, instructallowed 5 lbs. Jockeys who have not won led by Mr. J. Scott Harston (of Messrs. Ewans more than two official races in Hongkong, and Harston) represented the respondent. Shanghai or Tientsin allowed & lbs. A cup Mr. McNeill said that this was an appeal called the Gymkhana Cup will be presented from the judgment of the Chief. Instica at the end of the season to be won by the delivered on the agrd December Plant pony scoring most marks in the races for The action arose on the following cirthe Cymkhana Stakes at the gymkhana cumstances. Messrs. S. J. David & Co. were meetings during the season, counting 4 claiming against their compradors a sum of points for a first; 2 for a second; and I for | So48,810 odd which plaintiffs said he had a third. The benefit of marks already scored | agreed to pay them in respect of certain losses

to pass with the pony on a sale. Any win- | incurred in the course of the plaintiff Comper of the race to carry & lbs. extra for each | pany's dealings with Chinese customers. Counwin in subsequent starts for the race, but in | sel drew the attention of the Court to a certain the event of a pony-carrying the penalty not I paragraph of the pleadings: and then, proceeds winning; albs, to be deducted next time he ed to read the particular passage to the Court starts. Such a lbs. to remain deducted until he | The argument alleged in the statement of claim was defined as being constructed upon ties without deduction. Penalties accumula- | the sense of a certain document dated the 27th January, 1906. Defendant denied that any such agreement was entered into. as set up in the statement of claim and also denied that the document bore such an agreement. At the time of the hearing of the case, Counsel for the plaintiffs produced two documents, called one witness to prove the losses and to show how they were made up. Rebutting evidence had been used and Counsel for the defendant had rested his client's case entirely on the construction of various; documents.

Sir Henry Berkeley-I did not abandon the right to call witnesses.

Mr. McNeill, agreed on the point. And the After further arguments. Counsel proceeded to say that the Chief Justice gave judgment in favour of the defendant and it was from that judgment that the present appeal was being brought. Counsel read to the Court some material passages. Counsel said it was impossible for the Court to understand the documents or the arguments based upon them otherwise.

Counsel cited authorities at length and arguiment for the appellants was still proceeding when the Court adjourned till ro to morrow.

Further argument was heard in the Suprema-Court to-day in the case in which Masars. S. J. David and Company are bringing an appeal against the decision of the Chief Justice delivered on the 21rd December last, in which plaintiffs claim a sum of \$548.816.67 from their late compradore (Mr. Chan Ut Chin). The hearing was adjourned.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before the Full Court, the appeal case was resumed against the decision of the Chief Justice in the action in which Messrs S. J. David and Co. proceeded against their compradore, Chan Ut Ohiu, to recover \$648,816.67. Messrs. D. McNeil and C. J. Alabastor, instructed by Mesers. H. J. Gedge and A Jackson (of Messes Johnson, Stokes and Master), appeared for the appellants (plaintiffs), while Hon, Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C. and Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. J. Scott Harston (of Messrs. Ewens and Harston), represented the defendant. Further argument was continued and the case was again adjourned:

The fourth day's bearing was reached in the Supreme Court this morning in the case in which Messrs. S. J. David & Co. are appealing from the judgment of the Chief Justice delivered on the 23rd December last in favour of the firm's late compredore (Mr.: Chan, Ut, Chiu) against whom the plaintiff firm brought an action to recover the sum of \$648,816,67, said to have been lost in some yarn transactions with Chinese yarn-dealers. Mr. Slade contipued his argument, which lasted for a consi-

derable time. The case has been adjourned. In the Supreme Court, to-day, before the Full Court consisting of the Chief Instice (Sig Francis Piggott) and the Puisne Judge, the case was concluded in which Messrs. S. T David and Company are appenling against the decision of the Chief Justice of the 23rd December last given in favour of the firm's late compredore (Mr. Chan Ut Chiu) in the action which the plaintiff firm brought to recover the sum of \$648,816.67 said to have been the amount of losses incurred in some yarn transactions. Indement was reserved.

HALF-SBAS OYBR

JIU-JITSU IN ARSENAL STREET,

Arsenal Street was the scene of a nocturnal disturbance shortly after twalve this morning. It appears that a European who had been h regaling himself too well but not wisely; was making a bes-line for the Soldiers' Home when when he, unfortunately for both parties concerned. came in too closs a contact with an Indian constable, who, being a zealous officer of the law, forthwith proceeded to treat the staggering one to a few well-chosen remarks as to his note too sober state or words to that effect. Things did not particularly tend to the side of peace owing to the fact that the marry one law sisted on making a bulla-baleo by way of asserting his importance and combinanced a series of loud battering on the door of a certain house. During these lively proceedings; defendant is: said to have knocked down; the Indian const able who was trying to perform his duty. At the Magistracy, this morning, before Mr. P. A. Hazeland, defendant denied having assaulted the constable and said he only pushed him. He tried to rest at the foot of the steirs of his house, as he was feeling somewhat tight." His Worship, however, was evidently of opinion that greater respect is due to a limb of the law. for he imposed a fine of \$7 on the wayward one.

BONGKONG WATER POLO COMPETITION

Last Wednesday afternoon the Royal Ragippers played a friendly game of Water Polo forth the dirabilities and hardships which stow- tion might be held over till the next hearing, by have already amasted, it is yet nucertain when dealers in Casha who have bought young falling rapidly and is not expected to size again; against the V.R.C. The game was a pos-bided to one and the V.R.C. won by a rosis to all This A year the Royal Regions have a walk taken owns to most of their playare leaving for

## An Unfounded Rumour.

REPORTED ASSASSINATION OF THE GOVERNOR OF MACAO

TELEGRAPHIC-DENIAL: --

Persistent rumours were in circulation in town yesterday to the effect that the Governor | whose records go farther back than those of the of Macao had been assassinated. Throughout Victoria Recreation Club whose members will the afternoon this office was besleged with in- on Saturday week, the roth July, celebrate quiries as to the truth or otherwise of the silly the Club's, Diamond Jubilee by holding rumour. Of course, in every case we felt in the | Swimming Fele in the afternoon and a concercomfortable position of being able to assure the in the evening in the Club's spacious Gymnainquirer that the report was a mendacious sium. It was in the year 1849, eight years fabrication. Of all men in Macao at the pre- after Hongkong was ceded to the British, tha sent time, one would imagine that Governor | the Club's history began, and since then its deve-Rocadas should be thevery last to earn any one's lopment has been coincident with that of the it displeasure. From the moment he assumed the land. The Club stands for all that tends to brace reins of administration he manifested his unmis- up the man and youth physically; for the health takable sympathics with the Chinese whose giving open air and outdoor sports; and it. interests it was his determined policy to pro- this outdoor principle which binds the memtect and promote in all that concerned them as citizens of the territory under his administration. Governor Rocadas is not a man of words only; he believes in action, and has lived up to his declared policy.

We are pleased to be able to state that telegraphic inquiries addressed to Macao elicited the information that the Hongkong rumour is wholly unfounded.

> HONGKONG UNIVERSITY SCHEME.

MORE FUNDS REQUIRED FOR ACQUISITION OF CHARTER.

We have received the following official communication for publication:-Mr. Mody has consented to keep his offer (of providing the buildings for the University) open till the end of the year.

He did so in a confidential communication to the Governor some time ago, but desired that it should not be made known until the six months (cuding June 30th.) was on the point of completion, in order that the collection of the funds for endowment should be stimulated,

The greater part of the amount required has now been promised, but it is necessary, on the one hand, that the promised donations should be actually paid in to the Treasurer and, on the other hand, it must be remembered that the sum named, £100,000 Endowment and £10,000 for Equipment) was the minimum amount estimated to start a University of two or perhaps three chairs only. When that minimum had been realised it would justify Mr. Mody in undertaking the buildings and Government in giving the site and accepting the gift from Mr. Mody. But to make the University really efficient and to establish Chairs in other subjects a larger endowment will be required in order that more Professors may be appointed, and i

is hoped that a fully adeq ate sum will be raised to make the University thoroughly efficient. It 'Is stated in The Lancel, referring-to-the that the minimum amount qualifying for a Charter is £250,000. Inquiry is being made regarding the truth of this statement. If it should be true and should apply to the Hong-

sum remains to be raised before a Charter can be applied for. assuming the present minimum endowment and equipment fund to be raised, and putting the value of the site and buildings at £50,000,

kopg University it is clear that a considerable

the total stands at £160,000. STRAITS CO-OPERATION.

The Straits Echo has pleasure in announcing that Straits Chinese are taking a sympathetic Interest in the Hongkong University Scheme. At Penang, in particular, some Chinese philanthropists with a " warm side " to the cause of education have already promised handsome donations, and it is considered a certainty that the local kongsis will soon do something. I Is not considered advisable at the moment to

mention names or sums.". Dr. Chan has personally interested himself in the matter, and has been in correspondence with Hongkong. Mr. S. W. Ts'o. solicitor of that Colony, has gratefully acknowledged his assistance in disseminating locally knowledge of what was being done and what was wanted. Messrs, Leong Lok Hing and Lim Seng Hooi have been requested to coilect subscriptions locally for the University Endowment Fund. Mr. Ts'o, who is Honorary Secretary to the Hongkong Committee, mentions that up to the 8th ultimo Hongkong-Chinese subscriptions totalled \$170,000. Saigon merchants had already subscribed \$ 10,000 towards the \$100,000 they had promised. H.E. Cheung Pat Sz. better known in the Straits as Mr. Thio Tiau Siat; had personally guaranteed to raise one lakh of dollars from the districts of Wai Chow, Chiu Chow, and Ka Hing, within three

## STOWAWAYS.

SIR PREDERICK LUGARD'S DESPATCH TO AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT.

A Melbourne despatch of ist ult. says :-The Minister for External Affairs has received advice from the Governor of Hongkong, Sir F. D. Lugard, that twenty Chinese were discovered on the steamer Eastern last December, and were returned to Hongkong, and intimating that they were charged before the local police magistrate as stownways and sentenced to nine months' each, with hard labour.

the Governor-General to the Governor of large sums of money belonging to the Hong- a settlement. The dispute dates from about Hongkong contained the names of persons kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. He | the beginning of last March, at which time a concerned in the stowing away. A reply from asked his Worship to fix a date to proceed with party of Cantonese fishermen complained that the Governor includes a report from the Chief | the preliminary inquiry and the hearing was | they had been driven from Pratas Island and the Superintendent of Police, stating that these postponed till Friday, the 25th inst, persons, who were ringleaders in the affair, . At this stage, Mr. Wreford made an appli- taken possession of the island (at what time is

banishment." stowaways on the Prine Waldemar had been sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour, and that the person on the steamer. who was responsible for their being stowed away fled the country on the vessel's arrival. The Governor of Hongkong further intimated that with regard to the sale and exchange of naturalisation papers, every effort was being made to co-operate with the Federal Govern-

'Mr. Batchelor said : "While in Sydney, on my way to New Guinea, I met by appointment the the department by adopting a system of regis-They were without exception desirous of assisting, and undertook, subject to the approval of their owners, to adopt the suggestion of the department. This, coupled with satisfactory assurances we have had of the sympathy of the authorities at Hongkong, and a circular by the Consul-General of China at Melbourne, setting forth the disabilities and hardships which stowaways suffer in the attempt to land, makes it pretty certain that such attempts are not likely to be so successful in the future as they have previously been,"

## A Diamond Jubilee.

VICTORIA RECREATION-CLUB JULY 10, 1849-1909.

There are probably few Clubs in the Orient bers. All institutions in their progress necessarily expand their original domain, and thus, to-day the Victoria Recreation Club has become of some reckoning as a social, as well as a sporting institution of the Colony. Its three great annual events, the Regatta in December, the Athletic Sports in April, and the Aquatic Spirts in September, are not-alone red letter occasions for sport.

Henry Cox were discovered a number of old down expenses, it was announced the other | ed at the Portuguese Consulate and expressed records of the original Victoria Regatta Club, day that the Police Department was putting | the hope that the friendly relations initiated which may interest, not only those residents up No. 3 Police launch for sale. No. 2 between the two representatives might be as. of Hongkong associated with the V.R.C., but | Police launch broke down lately and has since | cordially maintained—a hope which, needless to many other residents of the Colony. The | been laid up for repairs. Thus it came to to say, was very cordially reciprocated. at the Ropykong Club House this day, patrol of the extensive stretch of water in Deep | sioner made his official call on His Excellency. pursuant to notice, for the purpose of forming | Bay, whose population boast of a notoriety for stimulant' to moralising as is an hour on Lonsentiment; the reader himself can give freeepitomised story of those long gone days.

"The annual subscription to the Club funds wis then \$1, to be paid in advance and any. member on joining subsequently and paying the sum of \$25 was considered a Life Member." The minutes of the appointment of officers are worded in such a unique manner that we fail to understand how the Secretary and Treasurer found their respective duties. It reads thus: " That Mr. C. Stuart and Mr. T. Jones be elected to hold jointly and separately the combined offices of Secretary and Treasurer." We cannot explain how these two gentlemen managed to fulfil the letter of their appointments.

Since those days, however, the Club has made hig leaps and bounds, and to-day the Club membership list includes nearly every establishment of the new Bristol University, | y ung man of the Colony, and there is now a toll of membership totalling something over 400. The Club is growing old, but Clubs are not like men; they become more vigorous with age. It is thus with the Victoria Recreation Club, and, in its sixtieth year, it is stronger than ever it was, is more respected and has a brighter future. Long live the V.R.C.

> ABIHERLANDS INDIA COMMERCIAL BANK.

> > DIVIDEND DECLARED.

We are informed that telegraphic advice has been received by the local manager of the Bank that a dividend of 10 percent for the year ending 3'st December, 1908, has been declared.

N. Y. K. SERVICE.

WIRELESS ON PACIFIC LINERS.

The Mainichi Dempo reports, according the Johan Herald, that the wireless telegraphic service on the European liners of the N. Y. K is to be opened from next year, but as to the arrangement for the purpose on land there will be no necessity to make any enlargement. Owing to the remarkable progress of "wireless," communication can now be made over a disance of 1,200 miles. As to communication on the American route, it was once talked of to establish nu office at Kinkwasan besides Choshi and Ochiishi; but now no inconvenience is experienced though no station was established at Kinkwasan. What is thought most important at present is to establish an efficacious stand on a large scale near Tokyo and it is now under consideration by the authorities. As to the communication on the coasts of the Japan Sea, the office is established only at Tsunoshima. It is said that one more may be established according to the result of the experimental sprvice of the Kagoshima Maru which has recently had apparatus installed and that in Formosa one more office will be established within this year.

HONGKONG BANK-ROBBERY APPLICATION FOR RETURN OF LADY'

IEWELLERY.

Soon, after Mr. Nunn took his seat this morning, says the Straits Echo, of June 22, Mr. |. The following editorial comments appear in Samuel, of the firm of Messrs. Presgrave and the N. C. D. News of 25th ulto. :- Judging by Matthews, mentioned the case of Lim Chee | the telegrams from Tokio this week the Pratas Information in a despatch forwarded through Sning-who-is-charged-with-embezzlement-of-Island-controversy is in a fair-way to arrive at-

eft the colony directly the stowaways were cation on behalf of Miss Boyle. He said that not clearly stated but apparently within the last brought back. The report adds; " If I hear of | his client had accompanied Lim Chee Saing to | three years) and were working it for its valuany of them returning, I will recommend their | Hongkong; that when the latter was arrested in | able deposits of guano. That Pratas Island is

## Piracy in Deep Bay.

IUNK PASSENGERS BOUND AND GAGGED.

ARRESTS EFFECTED BY WATER POLICE.

News of a daring piracy which was perpotrated the other day in the very boart of civilisation, as it were, reached us early this forencon. The occurrence was as daring in its pature as it was unexpected in its perpetration, and that the Police should have been able to bring to book some of the culprits concorned reflects the greatest credit on the efficiency of those composing the local Force, This latest outrage is yet another instance that there are pirates of the despest dye infesting the surrounding waters of the Colony-men who would not hesitate to commit the grossest acts of atrocity if a moderate haul is assured. Before going into the scanty details of the

outrage as they are available, it should be

stated for the information of our readers that

policy too far. It may be remembered that recently Government had decided to adopt a | Kao, attended by his secretary, Mr. Wu, and policy of retrenchment in the various depart- accompanied by Mr. Harris, Commissioner of Among the papers of the late, Mr. James | ments. Following this policy of cutting | the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs, callfollowing is an extract :- "At a meeting held pass that there was no launch left for the a Regatta Club in the Colony, the follow- piratical proclivities. This left the brunt of the ing gentlemen were present :- Mesars. Walter | work on No. 1 launch, which was left to do all Davidson, P. Dudgeon, C. J. A. Stuart, E. | the patrolling work which were previously done Peteira, P. Campbell, Capt. Staveley, T. W. L. by three launches. Now without detracting MacKean, Murrow, Lt. Lugg, R. A., Lt. Phill- from the noted efficiency of the Police, it potts, R.E., Lieut. J. N. Sargent, 95th Regt., Lt. | could not be expected that one solitary launch Maxwell, 95th Regt., J. Fagan, T. Jones, G' | could successfully carry out the performance of Findley, J. B. Compton and W. T. Mercer. | duties which of right belonged to three. It may The sheet brais the date 11th July, 1849-sixty | further be stated that the Police stationed at years ago. Such a document is nigh as keen a Pingchow has also been withdrawn, and as a meeting in that City, on the 27th inst., convensort of compensation for these cheese-paring | ed by the Society for the Protection of Boundary don Bridge; but one must subordinate the measures, the Government tender Stanley Rights. Very judiciously, the Viceroy has was brought into requisition to do Police prohibited the publication of the report of play to that when he has scanned the duty at long intervals. But this did not proceedings at that meeting lest the minds of fully make up for the short-handedness the ignorant natives—as distinct from the better caused by the unusual circumstances already class-might be agitated against the Portuoutlined. The bolder spirits of Deep Bay, guese. Our information derived from trustkeenly watchful as they are for the slightest | worthy sources in Canton is to the effect that opportunity to effect a haul, recognised in the | various resolutions were adopted at the meeting fact that the Water Police were undermanned a good chance for putting into practice their nefarious plans. In this they did not fail, for on the night of Tuesday last they successfully evaded Police vigilance and bore for a fishing junk with a number of peaceful crew on board. No sooner were the robbers aboard the junk, then they ordered the frightened fishermen to keep a strict silence under pain of death. They then bound and gagged their unfortunate victims and landed them on an island, whence they were taken away by the

> It is reported that a number of arrests has been effected. There are doubtless other evil characters who have managed to avoid Police vigilance and it is even suggested that they would not hestitate'to attack the launch Marlow which is engaged in towing junks with valuable stores to the Railway. Such store as explosives, etc. would be a valuable requisition to the sea-rovers. An immense stretch of water affords these lawless bandits an excellent opportunity to molest peaceful people with every hope of successful escape from pursuit; and it is to be hoped increased Police vigilance will prevent further outrages being committed in a locality which is noted for its evil

characters. With reference to the piracy in Deep Bay which took place on the 21nd instant, reference to which appeared in our last issue, two men were brought up before Mr. F. A. Hazeland (First Police Magistrate) at the Magistracy this morning and a formal remand was obtained for a week.

THE PRATAS ISLANDS. SETTLEMENT IN SIGHT.

Tokio, June 22. The difficulty with regard to the ownership of the Pratas Islands is nearing a solution; Japan proposes to sink her claim to the islands provided China duly compensates the Japanese settlers who have established themselves there, for their property. China is now said to be proposing to purchase the plant on the island at the price asked by the Japanese, and suggests that a Chinese and Japanese commission shall investigate the actual conditions prevailing in the island with a view to a scitlement.—N. C.

COMMISSION APPOINTED.

Tokio, luno 34, H. E. Chang Jen-chun, the Viceroy at Canton, has agreed to a joint investigation of Pratas Island by Chinese and Japanese Commissioners with a view to the settlement of the compensation to be paid to the Japanese settlers. The Viceroy has appointed a Chinese Commissioner, and Japan will be represented by Mr. A. Segawa, Japanese Consul at Canton. -N. C. D. News.

adjoining waters by Japanese colonists, who had certainly afford a sufficient benin for negotiation . | relatives in the interior .- Jopan Chronick.

MACAO BOUNDARY QUESTION. CHINESE COMMISSIONER IN HONGKONG.

Very shortly, it may be expected the labour of the Macao Boundary Commission will commence in Hongkong. As already reported last week, the Portuguese Commissioner, General Joachim Machado, and sulte: arrived in the Colony from Lisbon, and has since visited Macao, where the Commissioner is holding a conference with the Governor of that Colony. General Machado is expected back in Hongkong to-morrow.

His Excellency Kao Eth-chien, Chinese Commissioner, arrived from Canton by the Chinese gunboat Kwang Ta at 4.30 p.m. yesterday, H.E. the Governor sent his Aide-de-Camp, Capt. P H. M. Taylor, to meet the cruiser on arrival with a letter of welcome to His Excellency His Excellency Kae, who is accompanied by Secretary (Wu, and suite, has taken up his residence at "Glenealy" Buildings during his stay in Hongkong.

At it o'clock to-day, Mr. J. J. Leinin, the circumstances leading up to the daring sea | Consul for Pertugal in Hongkong, paid an robbery are such as may point a moral to the official visit to H.E. Kao Eth-chien at his reinexpediency of carrying out the retrenchment sidence. The compliment was returned this afternoon when, at 3 p.m., His Excellency

At 12,30 p.m., to-day, the Chinese Commis-

Up to the present nothing has been definitely decided as to the date and place when and where the Conference is to be held. These are matters that must be left for settlement at the preliminary meetlegs of the two Commissioners. In the meantime the agitation in Canton continues unabated. Our Canton correspondent, in his letter printed cleawhere in this issue, makes reference to the on Sunday. The most important resolution Mr. Leeson's Seafoam, 1511bi:" deals with the proposal for retaliation in the event of the Portuguese refusing to surrender the portions of territory which they are alleged to have encroached. The meeting also resolved to nominate two delegates (since duly appointed) to proceed to Hongkong with a staff of native clerks whose business it will be to assist the Chinese Commissioner with information, etc. during the progress of the Conference. It is hardly con-

GENERAL MACHADO'S RETURN.

ceivable that these delegates will be accorded

any official status by the Special Commis-

vioners or be permitted to take part in the deli-

berations of the Commission.

General Machado and suite returned from Macao by the Portuguese guoboat Patria this morning, 'Upon leaving the Poirla General Machado received a complimentary salute. The Portuguese Commissioner has secured

apartments at " Kingsclere," into which His Excellency, Senhor Cinatti and Capt. Norton moved from the Hongkong Hotel this after-

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT CHINESE COMMISSIONERS,

[From Our Own Correspondent.] Canton, 29th June.

. At the request of the Special Imperia Delimitation Commissioner, H.E. Ko Yu Him the Viceroy has appointed Messrs. Chow Sai Kut Cheung and Hul Tung Wah to assist him in the conduct of pending negotiations with the Portuguese Commissioner.

AGITATION IN CANTON. The Canton Self-Government Society has issued circulars convening a public mass meeting to take place to-day, the 29th instant, in connection with both the Fatehan incident and the question of the delimitation of Macao, In the opinion of most people the wording of the circular is couched in such terms as are cal-

culated to stir up the feelings of the people against the Portuguese in both these matters. A PEKING TELEGRAM. H.E. Llang Tun-yen, President of the Waiwupu, has telegraphed refusing to allow the Macao Boundary question to be negotiated in

Paking. HONGRONG DOCK-CO.

LOWEST BIDDERS FOR MANILA CONTRACT.

The Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company were the lowest bidders for six wooden lorchas for use by the Quarter-master's Department at Manila, their figure being \$22,800, gold, for the six. The other bidders were! Free Wilson and Company, \$28,600; El Varadero de Manila, \$3 t,con; Juan Rodriguez, \$35,300 Cho Chung Lung, \$36,500.

## PROTECTION OF SONGBIRDS.

THE JAPANESE NIGHTINGALE.

In Japan, especially in Tokyo, Osaka, and other large cities, nightingales are very popular | weights to be raised all round, i.e., Top weight as pets, and the best specimens are said to starting to carry 161 lbs. that place, the local police took charge of her a Chinese possession the Japanese Govern- realise as much as a thousand yen. Last au- Mr. Dryandust's Best Friend, 161 lbs. Information was also received that the eight | jewellery, which they handed over to the Penang | ment was quite prepared to admit; it asked | tumn a few species of small birds were added to | Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Garth, 156 lbs. police; he applied to them for the return of the for documentary, evidence which China | the list of those protected, the nightingale being Mr. J. Johnstone's Just-in-Time, 154 lbs. same; but was told to get an order from a ma- could not produce. There appears, how- among the number. We learn from the Osaka Mr. Dryasdust's Triad, 151 lbs. gistrate; that his clieht had been "brought "down | ever, to be no doubt that Chinese dwell- Jiji that Inaba Genno uke, a dealer in song- Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lammerton, 148 lbs. with Lim Chee Saiog. [There was some argu- logs and even a Chinese temple: were: in | birds at Awaberl, 1-cheme, Osaka, under the Mr. Leeson's Scaloum, 146 lbs. ment between opposing Counsel in regard to existence on the island when the Japanese ar- name of "Torigen," with an office in Wakathe terms "came" and "brought" with refer- rived; and although the amazing inertia of yams has been charged with a violation of the Mr. Blank's Grey back, 143 lbs. ence to Miss Boyle's transport from Hongkong Chinese officialdom had permitted others to Game Law in this matter. Inaba has a reputa- Mr. J. Johnstone's Jaz. McKie, 140 lbs. to Penang.] Counsel, therefore, asked the court discover the true value of the island, it was the best trainer of nightingales in the Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson's H.H., 138 lbs. to pass orders for the return of the jewellery to clearly impossible not to recognize the Kwansai district, and he is alleged to have Miss Boyle, contending that the police had no Chinese claim. Last Wednesday we were broken the law by continuing to catch claim to the same. The magistrate asked Mr. told that such recognition would be ac- young nighting ales since the new legislation was Naws has been received in Shanghal that the Samuel if he had any objection to the applica- corded in return for compensation to the adopted last autumn. Evidence having been Standard Oil steamer Hudson from Taku Bar representatives of all the shipping companies, tion. Counsel, after a few minutes consulta. Japanese settlers. To-day a further telegram obtained by the police, he was arrested a few with a cargo of salt for Eching, near Chintrading with the East, and asked them to assist | tion, with Chief Detective Insp. Kirke, opposed | states that Commissioners of both nationalities. | days ago. On examination, he confessed that | klang, was badly ashore on the Middle Bank in the application. He stated that a portion of are about to proceed to the island. The de- be bad captured over three hundred young the North Channel. The news was first brought tration of passports for their Chinese crews. the property in question might belong to Miss mand for compensation does not appear to be birds in the neighbourhood of Rokkosan, Shi. to Shanghai, by the steamer Oriental who Boyle; he was positive that the other portion altogether equitable. That Japan has already klasn in Nara, and in Kishu since the beginning reported accing the Hudson ashore, and the belonged to Lim Chee Salng-at any rate, he as good as admitted Chinese ownership of the of last month, when the breeding season open- vessel flying signals and asking that assistance had reason to believe, the latter ordered the Island, is proved by her expressed willingness | ed, and that most of the birds had been disposed. things, but had not paid for them. Counsel on certain conditions to recognize that fact. In of in Osaka. He had in his house over a been sent to the scene and after the versel has further maintained that the property was in the light of this admission, the Japanese settlers hundred, which he was training. The birds been lightened it is believed that she will be "safe keeping." Some argument ensued and stand convicted of trespass and the utmost they were saired, and the man was prosecuted on a refloated without any damage as the place where eventually Mr. Samuel asked that the applica- can fairly expect is to rotain what profits they charge of infraction of the Game Law. Bird tion might be held over till the next hearing, by have already amassed. It is yet uncertain whe- dealers in Osaka who have bought young falling rapidly and is not expected to rise again which time he hoped to be in a position to ther China has accepted the idea of compensa- nightingales from Torigen are said to be in a before next Monday. The vessel has a list of acquaint himself well with the facts. The court tion, or whether she merely proposes to buy the state of panic. Some of them have set their twenty degrees to port and the work of lightenconcurred, and the application was postpoped plant on the island. But the latter idea should birds free, while others are sending them to ling ber in being rapidly carried forward by the

HONGKONG QYMKHANA CLUB.

THIRD MEETING.

The programme of the third meeting to be held at the Happy Valley, on Saturday, 3rd July, (weather permitting) is as follows :--subscription griffins of season 1908-09. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one race at this season's gymkhanas, or at 1909 meeting, to Ibs, extra: two or more

races 14 lbs. extra. To be ridden by owners. Pony to have been the property of rider for dat least one month prior to date of entry. Entrance fee Sr. First prize: presented. 2nd priza: \$25,00. 3rd. prize: \$10.00 (Entrance fees to go to wioner).

\* Penalty of 14 lbs.

Mr. Blank's Grey Back, 169\* lbs. Mr. D. L. M.'s Tamar, 161 lbs. Mr. F. B. Deacon's " Butcher," 1627 lbs. Mr. H. G. Moore's Lyomun, 155 lbs. Penalty of 10 lbs.

Sroo, Distance one mile. For all China ponies. Catch weights at to st. 6 lbs. Win-Meisrs, Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared ners of an open race or open griffin race 5 on behalf of the appellants. Sir Henry Berkelbs. extra. Non-winning subscription griffins ley, K.C., assisted by Mr. M. W. Slade, instructmore than two official races in Hongkong, and Harston) represented the respondent. winner.)

Points awarded up to date are as follows :-Garibanianananananan Triad..... Sportsman ..... Best Friend ...... I

Mr. Dryasdust's Triad, 15tlbs. Mr. Dryas lust's Best Friend; 151lbs." Hop. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Garth, 156lbs. Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's H. H., 146lbs. Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lammerton, 146lbs;

\* Penalty of 5 lbs. † Penalty of 10 lbs. 1.-4.10 p.m. -THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE HANDICAP .- For all China ponies. Entrance fee Si. First prize: Presented. and prize: \$15.00. 3rd prize: \$10. (Entrance fees to go

to winner). In the event of top weights not starting weights to be raised all round, i.e., top weight starting to carry 166lbs. Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Garth, 166lbs. Mr. Dryasdust's Triad, totlbs. Mr. I. Johnstone's Just-in-Time, toilbs. Mr. F. B. Deacon's Dart, 158lbs. . Hop, Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lammerton, 157lbs, Mr. J. Johnstone's Herizblatt, 157lbs. Mr. O. C. R. Hill's Dreadnought, 152lbs. Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson's H. H., 151lbs. Admiral Lambton's Kamraub, 1511bs; Mr. J. Johnstone's Sir Henry, 151lbs. Mr. Lesson's Soudan, 149lbs. Mr. Blank's Sir Joseph, 146lbs. Mr. J. Johnstone's Jas. McKie, 144 lbs. Lieut. Beckwith's Cavalier, 140 lbs.

Commodore Lyon's Swan, 138 lbs. Mr. K K's Droschkengaul, 137 lbs. .. 4.-4.40 p.m.-INDIVIDUAL TENT-PEGGING COMPETITION .- China ponies only to be used. Best of three runs. 3 Points for a Carry; 2 for a Draw and I for a Touch. The must be used. Entrance fee \$2. A Cup will Hongkong Gymkhana Club. Captain Barker .- " The Buffs." Mr. C. H. Maxwell.

Mr. C. H. Blason. Mr. M. M. Brice .- "The Buffs." Mr. W. S. Duprec. Major Eaton .- " The Buffs." Captain Finch .- R.A. Mr. John Johnstone. Mr. H. G. Moore.-R.A. Mr. F. Thicknesse.-R.A.

Captain Leab. - R.A. Lieut. R. P. Wedd .- " The Buffs." Mr. H. I. Gedge. Mr. G. C. Moxon. Mr. Potter -" The Buffs." .- 5.15 p.m. HURDLE'RACE. ONE AND

QUARTER MILE.-Over not less than eight flights of hurdles. For all China ponies. Catch weights 11 stones, 5 lbs. Jockeys who have not won more than 2 official races Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin, allowed lbs. Ist prize: presented. and prize: \$25 3rd prize; \$10. (Entrance fees to go to winner.).

Mr. D. L. M.'s-Tamar, 159 lbs. Mr. Dryasdust's Best Friend, 159 lbs. Major H. Findlay's Polo Stick, 159 lbs. Mr. Gegg's The Gift, 159 lbs. Hon, Mr. W. J. Gresson's Little Dot Rose.

Mr. John Johnstone's Sir Henry, 159 lbs. Mri John Johnstone's Blue Ruin, 159 lbs. Captain Leab's Macao, 150 lbs. Mr. E. O en's Hourhand, 159 lbs. Mr. Thicknesse's Have a Bag, 159 lbs.

6.-5.40 p.m -ONE AND A QUARTER MILE FLAT RACE, HANDICAP.-For all China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. First prize: Presented by the Hongkong Gymkhama Club. and prize: \$25. 3rd prize: Sto. (Entrance fees to go to winner.) In the event of top weights not starting

Messrs, Leab & Moore's Sportsman, 149 lbs.

be sent out to her. Towboats and lighters have she is ashore is all-mud bottom. . The water is Shaughal Tur and Lighter Co.

THE YARN DISPUTE.

INTERESTING APPEAL AT THE SUPREME COURT.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before 1.-3.30 p.m.-ONE MILE FLAT RACE .- For the Full Court, consisting of the Chief Justice (Sir Francis Piggott) and the Pulsne Judge. an application was heard for leave to appeal against the decision of the Chief Justice in the action brought by Messre. S. J. David and Co. against their late compradore (Mr. Chan Ut Chin) to recover the sum \$648,816.67 and interest at the rate of \$8 per centum per annum from the date the writ was issued and until payment or judgment. This large claim was alleged; to have arisen in connection with dealings in cotton yarn, for which, the plaintiffs alleged, the compradore was liable. The defendant entered a counter-claim to recover the sum of \$55,000, alleged to have been deposited with them. This was denied. Mr. Duncan McNelll, a Shanghai barrister, 2.-3.50 p.m.-GYMKHANA STAKES.-Value with whom was Mr. O. J. Alabaster, instructed by Messrs. A. G. Jackson and H. J. Gedge (of

allowed 5 lbs. Jockeys who have not won | ed by Mr. J. Scott Harston (of Messrs. Ewens Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lbs. A cup Mr. McNeill said that this was an appeal called the Gymkhana Cup will be presented | from the judgment of the Chief Justice at the end of the season to be won by the delivered on the agrid December last pony scoring most marks in the races for The action arose on the following cire the Gymkhana Stakes at the gymkhana cumstances. Messrs. S. J. David & Co. were meetings during the season, counting 4 claiming against their compredore a sum of points for a first; 2 for a second; and t for | \$648,816 odd which plaintiffs said he had a third. The benefit of marks already scored agreed to pay them in respect of certain losses to pass with the pony on a sale. Any win- incurred in the course of the plaintiff Comner-of the race to carry sibs. extra for each pany's dealings with Chinese customers. Counwin in subsequent starts for the race, but in sel drew the attention of the Court to a certain the event of a pony carrying the penalty not paragraph of the pleadings and then proceedstarts. Such z lbs. to remain deducted until he The argument alleged in the statement of wins again when he will carry the full penal- | claim was defined as being constructed upon ties without deduction. "Penalties accumula- the sense of a certain document dated prize: \$15. (Half entrance fees to go to that any such agreement was entered into

winning, albs. to be deducted next time he ed to read the particular passage to the Court tive up to 15 lbs. Entrance fee \$5. and the "27th January, 1906. Defendant denied as set up in the statement of claim and also depied that the document bore such an agreement. At the time of the hearing of the case, Counsel for the plaintiffs produced two documents, called one witness to prove the losses and to show how they were made un Rebutting evidence had been used and Counsel for the defendant had rested his client's case entirely on the construction of various documents.

Sir Henry Berkeley-1 did not abandon the right to call witnesses. Mr. McNeill agreed on the point.

After further arguments, Counsel proceeded to say that the Chief Justice gave judgment in favour of the defendant and it was from that udgment that the present appeal was being brought. Counsel read to the Court some material passages. Counsel said it was impossible for the Court to understand the documents or the arguments based upon them otherwise.

Counsel cited authorities at length and argument for the appellants was still proceeding when the Court adjourned till 10.30 to-morrow.

Further argument was heard in the Supreme Court to-day in the case in which Messrs. S. J David and Company are bringing an appeal against the decision of the Chief Justice delivered on the 23rd December last, in which plaintiffs claim a sum of \$548.816 67 from their late compradore (Mr. Chan Ut Chiu). The hearing was adjourned.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before the Full Court, the appeal case was resumed against the decision of the Chief Justice in the action in which "Messrs S. J. David and Co. proceeded against their compradore. Chap Ut Oblu. to recover \$648,816.67. Messrs. D. McNeil Judge has at his disposal 2 points for Pace and C. J. Alabastor, instructed by Messes, H. J. and Sivie over all three runs. Lance exercise | Gedge and A Jackson (of Messrs. Johnson; will not count towards style. Lances as Stokes and Master), appeared for the appellants supplied by the Club, or of a similar pattern (plaintiffs), while Hon. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C. and Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. J. Scott be presented at each Competition by the Harston (of Mesers, Ewens and Harston), represented the defendant. Further argument was continued and the case was again adjourned.

> The fourth day's hearing was reached in the Supreme Court this morning in the case inwhich Messrs. S. J. David & Co. are appealing from the judgment of the Chief Justice delivered on the 23rd December last in favour of the firm's late compradore (Mr. Chan Ut Chiu) against whom the plaintiff firm brought an action to recover the sum of \$648,816.67; said to have been lost in some yarn transactions with Chinese yarn-dealers. Mr. Slade continued his argument, which lasted for a considerable time. The case has been adjourned.

and inst In the Supreme Court, to day, before the Full Court, consisting of the Chief Justice (Sir Francis Piggott) and the Puisne Judge, the case was concluded in which Messes. S. J. David and Company are appealing against the decision of the Chief Justice of the 23rd December last given in favour of the firm's late compradore (Mr. Chan Ut Chin) in the action which the plaintiff firm brought, to recover the sum of \$648,816.67 said to have been the amount of losses incurred in some yarn transactions. Judgment was reserved.

HALF-SHAS OVER

JIU-JITSU IN ARSENAL STREET,

Arsenal Street was the scene of a nocturnal disturbance shortly after twelve this morning. It appears that a European who had been regaling himself too well but not wisely was the making a bee-line for the Soldiers' Home when 3/4 he, unfortunately for both parties concarned. came in too closs a contact with an Indian constable, who, being a zealous officer of the law, forthwith proceeded to treat the staggering one to a few well-chosen remarks as to his none too sober state or words to that effect. Things did not particularly tend to the elde of peace owing to the fact that the merry one insisted on making a bulla-baloo by way of asserting his importance and commenced a series of loud battering on the door of a certain house, During these lively proceedings, defendant is. said to have knocked down the Indian constable who was trying to perform his duty." At the Magistracy, this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, defendant denied having assaulted the constable and said be only pushed him: He tried to rest at the foot of the stairs of his house, as he was feeling somewhat tight. His Worship, however, was evidently of opinion that greater respect is due to a limb of the law. for he imposed a fine of \$7 on the wayward one.

> HONGKONG WATER POLO COMPETITION.

Last Wednesday afternoon the Royal Rogineers played a friendly, game of Water Polo against the V.R.O. The game was a one-sided one and the V.R.C. won by 6 goals to nil. This year the Royal Rogineers have a week teem owing to most of their players, leaving for

HONGKONG GARRISON TRAM.

ARRIVAL IN KOBEL

The Hongkong Garrison team arrived at Kobe by train yesterday morning from Yokohama, reports the Japan Chronicle, of 22nd ulto., and were met at the station by members of the K.C.C. and others. A more depressing day than that on which the visitors arrived in Kobs could hardly be imagined, but it is hoped that the weather will be fine edough during the remainder of the programme being carried out. The teonis matches originally fixed for Monday and Tuesday are now down to be played to-day and to-morrow, while Thursday and Friday is devoted to cricket. The L.C.C. dinner in honour of the Hongkong visitors will be given on Friday evening at the Oriental Hotel, The following is the programme of the lawn

tennis matches:--Doubles to be played this afternoon, commencing at 3.co. Captain Beasley and Lieutenant Byrne play Messes. C. J. Lucas and J M. Mollison, at Kobe, Captain Brierly and Lieutenant Whyte play Messrs. R. G. Crane and S. Stephens, at Mirume. Captain-Baird and Lieutenant Salterthwaite play Messrs, |. E. Cane and T. D. Wright, at Mirume. Captain Garnett and Lieutenant Bagonll play Messrs. G. Millward and H. V. Wilkinson, at ling the year as against 39 and 76 in 1907. . . Kobe.

commencing at 10.30. Capt. Beasley plays | against \$114,710.65 and \$1,541.90 in 1957. Mr. J. M. Mollison, at Kobs. Lieutenant Whyte plays Mr. T. D. Wright, at Mirums, year, it Mirume. Lieutenant Bagnall plays Mr. H. fire mains throughout the year. V. Wilkinson, at Kobe.

Singles to be played to morrow afternoon, year. commencing at 3.00. Lieutenant Byrne plays Mr. R. G. Crane, at Mirums. Capt. Brierly plays Mr. G. Mil'ward, at Kobe. Capt. Garnett plays Mr. J. E. Crane, at Mirume.

INTERPORT TENNIS. ·Fine but rather dull weather attended th opening to-day, 22nd ulto, of the tennis matches between Kobe and the Congkong Garrison

The Interport Doubles were played at Kobe this afternoon, in the presence of a fair concourse of spectators. Messrs. C. J. Lucas and J. M. Mollison beat Captain Beasley and Lt. Byrne by 3 seis to 2, the scores being 6.2; .6.3; 2-6; 4-6; and 6-3.

Captain Garnett and Lieut. Bagoall defeated Messrs. Millward and H. V. Wilkinson by 1 sets to 2. Scores-6-3; 6-3; 11-9; 7-5; and 10-8. the Mixed Doubles-Mrs. Beasley and Lieut. Byrne playing for Hongkong and Mrs. Feast and Mr. Mollison for Kobe. Kobe won each set, the scores being 8-6; 7-5; and

At Mirume play opened at 1 o'clock, Captain Brierly and Lieutenant Whyte meeting Messrs. R. G. Crane and S. Stephens. The result

Capt. Brierly and Lieut. Whyte (Hongkong) beat Messrs Crane and Stephens (Kobe), the scores, being 7-5 | 10-8 | 2-6 | 6-4: -.

The Hongkong men and Crane volleyed vary-well, but Stephens was rather-weak-in this respect, which may account for the

Oaptain Baird and Lieutenant Salterthwaite (Hongkong) beat Messrs. T. D. Wright and E. Crape (Kobe), the scores being 6.3; 6.2; 6.0, Captain Baird smashed superbly and Lieutenant Balterthwaite's volleying was some of the best we have ever seen. Wright was quite a little "off colour," but Crane played a good steady game. - Robe Herald.

CHINA'S CURRENCY.

MINTING NEW COINS.

United States bullion merchants have, according to the Wall Street Summary, received official intelligence from China that the recent large shipments of silver from London an New York have been absorbed for account of five of the nineteen mints of the Empire which began coining under the recent Imperial Act beginning May 15th. The first emission were of Haikwan taels, a coin which is the basis o all payment through Customs houses and for imperial and provincial taxes. The edic which has ordered the coinage of these trels calls for a consumption of 97,000,000 ounces of 999-1000ths fine-silver. Only a small part of this requirement is available for coipage during this year, but arrangements are bein; perfected whereunder an increase in Im perial taxation will be farmed out will underwrite the requirements for possible to travel by rail from China-well, a sufficient tonnage of silver to provide all the mints with sufficient metal before the beginning of 1910.

The provision for coining Haikwan taels is only a small part of the comprehensive plan adopted by the Imperial Government of China for issuing silver coins in the form of dollars and fractional parts thereof, down to five cent pieces. Of the latter, 25,000,000 pieces are to be coined within six years, that they may in, considerable measure displace tonnages of debased bronze coins termed cash, which are the vexation of small traders in parts of the Empire. American copper, 60,000 tons which was purchased for account of China's provincial mints four years ago, was att coined into coins called cash. The whole amount was soon lost sight of the three provinces that obtained the coins, as the people hoarded them, an application, of the spirit of Gresham's law that is as well understood in China as Europe and America.

According to the reports of the mint masters of the nineteen mints of China submitted to the Throne and to the provincial viceroys. doressing wants of bronze coins preferred the associations of merchants called hongs, call for a coloage that will require 75,000 tons so of high conductivity electrolytic copper. None of the mints has any stock of new metal. The small amount of work that has been done of lata has deen in tecoldage of silver and drople pleces. The Chipese Board of Finance, in formulating an opinion with reference to the feeffirmation of the silver standard for the Empire, says'r -

"In conforming to the Standard of money used by their ancestors for upward of 4.000 years, we do so gladly, in the light of all that has been severled in recent years of the crippling effect of the single gold standard upon several Ruropean countries and the United States which is made evident to us by the numerous societies of European merchants who are demanding of their goveraments an enlarged use of silver, and the report adopted by the Imperial Government of Germany within a few months based upon the petitions of the greatest banking and commercial interests of Germany, which want much more silver injected into the currency of that | delightfully candid. He naively remarked nation.

"The Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, which endeavoured to influence China's Board of Finance in favour of the single gold standard admits its failure, and felicitates the Colony that it will have two years in which to make ready for the vast inflowing of new Chinese silver coins into all parts of Asia where the Chinese are important factors in commerce. I the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for six The new Oblacce colas ato to he made with months:

less alloy than those of Europe and the United States, which is done to prevent the transfer of the new coins by weight on the basis used by merchants who handle European and American

dollars by weight. "This forward policy of the Empire of China which calls for ten years' working of the nideteen mints at the high ratio of production is the most important piece of news, that has come to the silver producers of North America for years. Interviews with the principal New York exporters to China, Japan, the Straits Settlements and East India, indicate that these merchants expect the vast silver coinage policy just adopted by China to be a tremendous factor in increased exports of American petroleum, silver, copper, cotton, cotton cloths, flour, canned goods and articles of metals to all parts of China.

A YBAR'S FIRES.

FIRE BRIGADE REPORT FOR 1908.

The report, dated 5th May, 1929, of Mr. F. J. Badeley, superintendent, Fire Brigade, for 1908, was Inid on the table of the Legislative Council last Thursday afternoon. It reads:-There were 31 fires and 59 incipient fires dur-The estimated damage caused by fires was Singles to be played to morrow morning, \$ 98,219,00 and by incipient fires \$1,025 80 as

Lieutenant Salterthwaite plays Mr. S. Stephens, There was constant supply of water in the Two fires occurred in the harbour during the

The brigade turned out 43 times during the

There was one prosecution for arson in connection with the fire at No. 69 Bonham Strand. plays Mr. C. J. Lucas, at Kobe. Capt. Baird | One man was arrested and charged, but no conviction was obtained.

> There are 34 despatch boxes-kept in dif ferent places in Victoria and q in Kowloon, different telephones to which the Police can have access to communicate with Central Station in the event of a fire and 16 fire alarms.

The conduct of the brigade has been good.

MR. R. MITCHELL IN SYDNEY.

After 2 : years as manager of the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company, at Hongkong, Mr. I. Mitchell has arrived at Sydney. He is making the trip for pleasure, and has never been in Australia before.

INTERIVEWED BY PRESSMAN.

An Evening News reporter had a chat with Mr. Mitchell at Pettys . Hotel this afternoon, (May 21) and was informed that times had not been altogether bright in Hongkong lately. Shipping, has suffered a good deal, and unti quite recently there were in the harbour there something like 18 steamers waiting for a rise in the freight market.

The Dock Company, which Mr. Mitchel had charge of for so many years, is capable of taking in the biggest battleship affeat, and is always busy.

Your hours of labour?" said the reporter. "Well, the men work pipe hours a day; but we keep things going all day, all night, and on

"The class of labour? "Chinese, skilled and unskilled, and good men they are, too. I should say I had about 4,000 of them, so I know a little about their

"Have you any opposition there?": "Yes, the China Navigation Company has opened a large dock, so there is now plenty of

Speaking with regard to the opium traffic, Mr. Mitchell said there was a good deal of feeling in Hongkong just now about the proposed closing down of the opium farm. If such step is taken the revenue of the colony will suffer severely. He had not seen much opium smoking among the 4,000 men in the employ of the Dock Company, nor did he think the habit was very strong in Hongkong.

"You can say," remarked the visitor, "that the boycott of Japanese goods has not yet been lifted. A few weeks before I left in the steamer Eastern for Australia, a meeting of Chinese merchants was held, and it was decided to carry on the boycott.".

"Can you say much about the railway extension policy now being carried out in China? "Yes. The work is being pushed on. Sleep. of ten days. ers are being imported from Tasmania, and generally speaking no time is to be lost. There is a scheme by which it is intended to connect with the Siberian Railway, so that it will be

" Is the Siberian route popular?". " I should say so. Lots of people go to England and the Continent that way from Hong

question with the Portuguese Commissioner, "Does it save much time in the delivery of "Yes, close on a week. Letters have been

received in Hongkong in 18 days, while by steamer route the time is 24 days." "This railway then means a great saving of

"Oh, yes and the Chinese Government enthusiastic about it."

"We've heard a lot about a new Chinese Nave," said the reporter. "It is only a myth," replied Mr. Mitchell. O course, there has been a great deal of talk about it, but I don't think it will get beyond that stage

for many years to come. Questioned as to whether it was true that a Glasgow\_shipbuilding\_firm\_intended\_starting business in Hongkong, the visitor shook his head and said," "No." . "Ours was the onl shipbuilding yard," he said, "and we did do great deal of it. We certainly built a number

of river steamers - some up to 3,000 tons." " A fair size for a river steamer." "Yes, not bad ; and they had three decks, too. A fine type of boat; but I haven't heard anything about a Glasgow firm shifting out to

Mr. Mitchell, in conclusion, remarked: have not seen much of Australia yet, but what I have seen, looks good."

AN ABORTIVE DISTURBANCE.

FUN IN STONE-THROWING.

and lost The story of a little disturbance whereby a breach of the peace might have been caused was told before Mr. F. A. Hextland in the Police Court this morning. An employee at the Victoria Distillery at Kowloon proceeded against a Chinaman for assault. Complainant's story was to the effect that at re o'clock yesterday, the Chine assaulted him with a bamboo pole. Then complainant goded something which was that the Chinaman's excuse for his act was because he was accidentally struck by a stone which complainant throw at another-man. Mr. Hareland (To the interpreter)-Tell him he had no business to throw-stones at

Defendant-I throw it just out of fun. His Worship bound over both defendants in CONTON DAY BY DAY.

APPOINTMENT.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 25th June. Taotal Wong Ping Yun, at present Resident Director General of the Canton-Hankow Railway at Canton, has been appointed by Imperial Decree of 22nd instant to be Taotal of the prefectures of Ko Chow, Lui Chow and Yueng Kong.

DR STIC PUNISHMENT.

The Shuu Tak magistrate has applied to the Canton, high authorities for authority to execute eleven of the prisoners who attempted to escape from the prison and were afterwards recaptured: 30

PRICE OF RICE.

In consequence of the recent floods, the price of rice has been rising considerably for some time. Now owing to the large importation of this staple to the South from Wahu, the price is gradually going down in the city and in the town of Fatshap.

CONSULAR VISIT This morning, at II o'clock, the Viceroy received the American Consul at Canton.

THE DELIMITATION OF MACAO."

As the Portuguese Delimitation Commis sioner, General Joachim Machado, has arrived, with whom negotiations are expected to be conducted very shortly by H.E. Ko Yu Him, Chinese Special Commissioner, the Cauton Society for the Protection of Boundry Rights has now convened a public meeting to be held on the 27th instant at the leading assembly hall (Ming Luen Tong) for the purpose of providing all possible information to H.E. Ko preparatory to the proceedings in connection with the vexed question.

THE OPIUM QUESTION. Two days ago, upon information received that a number of opium dens were open in Lan Shek, the Namhoi Magistrate sent a deputy to the locality to seal up seven of these establish-

Yesterday, the Chun Lee shop in Sha Kee Street was discovered to have allowed a number of people to smoke on their premises and was therefore ordered by the local officials to be closed.

RUMOURED MURDER OF FOREIGNERS.

A rumour from the district of Tsang Shing states that, on the 19th instant, through some unknown reason, two foreigners (nationality not mentioned) were killed by the ignorant natives of the Ma Che village, and the district magistrate proceeded to the scene on the following H.E. Viceroy Chang to offer their congratuladay to investigate the matter and to make an inquest on the dead bodies. So far the rumour has not been confirmed, and it is not certain whether the occurrence is true, as no official report has been received by the Canton officials. SOLDIERS DROWNLD.

On the 23rd instant a guard boat when on her way to Yuet Shing, in Shiu Hing, from Faishan, was capsized when passing the vicinity of Wing On. In the accident three of the soldiers on board the guard boat were drowned. The officer in charge of the boat was fortunately saved by a fisherman.

On the 2nd day of this moon a passenger junk coming to Canton from San Wul was held up by pirates at a place near Pak Mit, and a quantity of articles and goods to the value of some \$3,000 was carried away.

> 28th June. THE PARACELS:

In connection with the scheme for the ton officials have purchased a steam-launch from a certain German firm for the purpose of maintaining a service between the group of islands and Canton. This vessel is now lying in Canton Harbour. Admiral Li Chun visited her on the 24th instant.

INSPECTOR OF FINANCE. A telegram has been received from Shanghal by the Canton officials that the newly-appointed Inspector of Finance at Canton will leave Shanghai for the South by the steamer Tai; Shun on the 15th day of this moon and is expected to arrive at his destination in the course

THE DELIMITATION OF MACAO. Yestorday afternoon, H.E. Ko'Yu Him, the Chinese Commissioner appointed to conduct negotiations with the Portuguese Government on the question of the delimitation of Macao, accompanied by Captain Wu and two other officials, proceeded to Hongkong by the cruiser Kiangta. It is expected that H.E. Ko wil very shortly enter into the long-outstanding

General Joachim Machado. SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF BOUNDARY

Vesterday, the Canton Society for the Protection of Boundary Rights held a meeting a Ming Lun Tong to discuss matters in connection with the Macao Delimitation question. was decided that certain members of the Society should be deputed to accompany the Special Delimitation Commissioner appointed to conduct pegotiations with the Portuguese Government. It is reported that certain other resolutions have been passed at the meeting but these are

withheld from publication. A MISSIONARY CASE. It is reported that the case in which an American missionary while on his way to preach a sermon on board a boat to Sam Kong in Nambol district was attacked by the villagers, has now been settled satisfactorily. The

Chinese officials have promised a sum of \$1.500 to be paid as compensation to the missionary. FOREIGN AFFAIRS AT CANTON. H.E. Viceroy Chang Jen Chun has wired to Peking asking for the services of Mr. So Jul Chiu to be transferred to Canton as Secretary [ is absolutely no sign of a re-wakening of de- | changed.

of Foreign Affairs to be in charge of the Canton | mand. One fixture has taken place on busis of Bureau of Foreign Affairs to fill the vacancy created by the transfer of Taotai Im Ku. OUTHREAK OF PLAGUE. plague have occurred in the city of Canton, but

since the beginning of the 5th moon, the epidemic seems to have gradually decreased. 29th Juna.

OPIUM SMOKERS PIKED.

Seven opium smokers were arrested yesterday in Siu Ma Cham for smoking opium without the pecessary wooden board licences. At the Police Court, five of them were discharged with a wirning and the two others were made of chartering from Saigon to other destinations. payable to-day. Langkats have improved to pay a fine of \$5 each.

CONSULAR VISIT. The Vicercy received the Japanese Consul this morning at to o'clock. SHIPPING ACCIDENTS.

The steamer San Chaung, on her way back to aground at Tal Ping Sha on the West River, She remained there hard and fast for some affoat that the fleet will be further increased. hours before assistance was secured; she was worse for the insident,

titlt elver, gunbant, Sandpiper, as reported by the China Merchants Steam Navigation weeks hence." Company, and both vessels sustained slight

damage. Most of the junks that carried passengers from Canton to Ynet Shing on the 23rd instant had their matcheds, which were erected on deck for decoration purposes, blown off during a iquall, which overtnok the junks as they left the harbour. Fortunately no lives were lost. A guard boat, however, which was capsized a little above Fatshan, reports the loss of three man who were drowned.

SUSPECTS ARRESTED. · Yesterday, in Wah Ning Lane, inside the city two men and one woman, natives of Frechuan, were arrested by the Namhoi Magistrate on a charge of being alleged members of a certain uplawful society.

DARING GANG ROBBERY.

In Kweichow village, in the district of Shun Tak, there lived a wealthy man named Chan Ming Shek. On the 27th instant, at 8 o'clock in the evening, a gang of robbers numbering about two hundred, attacked Chan and ransack ed his house, whence the robbers removed all the valuable articles that they could get hold of. The property stolen is said to be worth over ten thousand dollars. To prevent themselves from being kido speed. Chan, his wife and children hid themselves in another bouse, which was so strongly built and barred that the robbers could not succeed in breaking through the entrance. After trying for about half an hour to reach the immates and failing to do so. the robbers emptied a few tine of kerosene oil into the building and set it on fire The house was completely burnt down and all the inmates seven in all, perished in the flames, As the robbers were in overwhelming numbers the village militia felt trared and made no at tempt to arrest the marauders. The case has now been reported to the Canton officials.

30th June,

H. E. CHANG JAN CHUN. A telegram has been received from Peking to the effect that the present: Viceroy of the Liang Kwang province, H.E. Chang Jen Chun, is transferred to Liang Kinng as Viceroy there to replace H. E. Tuan Fang, who is transferred to the province of Chihli. The present G. vernor of Shantung province, H. E. Yuan Shu Hsun, is appointed to be Viceroy of the Two Kwang in succession to H. E. Chang Jen Chun. H.E. Chang is instructed to proceed forthwith to take up his new appointment. Pending the arrival of the new Viceroy, H.E. Yuan, the Canton Provincial Treasurer, Wu Seung Lum, is authorised to assume temporary charge o the Linng. Kwang Viceregal yamen. morning all the officials in this city called or tions on his promotion.

EXTRADITION OF PRISONERS.

The Commander-in-Chief Chun Ping Chik has asked the Viceroy to apply to the Hongkong Government for the extradition of the three alleged armed robbers Lu Ah Yik, Lu Shek Yueu and Wong-Ah-Wu, who were ar rested in Hongkong a short time ago.

Mr.-Yun-Lai Chun and others have submitte a petition to the Viceroy informing him that they propose to build a typhoon refuge in a place called Yu Wang Chung, in the vicinity of Chun Lung How, below Tai Sha Tau, with the view of affording adequate protection to vessels and sampans on the river against the ravages of typhoons. A plan of the proposed undertaking was also handed to the Viceroy for his approval. In reply, the Viceroy stated that the proposed scheme is fully appreciated at its true value but it must first be ascertained development of the Paracel Islands, the Can- whether the breakwater to be built at the I selected site would not cause obstructions to navigation. The Shan Hou Chu and the Provincial Treasurer have to be instructed in order to send deputies to investigate the feasibility of carrying out the plans, before the project can be approved.

The president of the Canton-Hankow Rai way Company at Canton, Bir Chun Tung Liang Cheng, has wired to the Ministry of Communications and Posts at Peking for one month's leave of absence.

Paking announcing the change in the Viceroyalty of the Two Kwang Provinces, it is now again rumoured in official circles here that the Canton Provincial Treasurer Wu Scung Lum will probably be transferred to Honam on promotion as Governor of that province, and the vacancy thus created will be filled by the Canton Provincial Judge Wei Ching Tung. Taotai Wong Ping Yun will also in all probability be transferred to Hupan on promotion as Provin

NEW AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE. It is reported that sometime in the 7th moor an agricultural college will be opened in Canion outside the Eastern suburb. The founder of this institution is the Taotai for the Development of Native Industries (Chan Mong Tsang it will be placed under the charge of the American student Tong Yau Hang. One hundred students will be selected for admit

COMMERCIAL.

fortnightly circular of 26th June:-There is no improvement in coast freights to report. In one or two trades the inquiry has been a slightly better one than, of late, but

forther weakened. o cents per picul. It is impossible to say whether and to what degree there will be any approclable demand and an advance in the rate

During the last two months, several cases of during the remaining part of the season, but what with comparatively high prices at Salgon and a well-stocked marked at Canton, any material change for the better is a rather remote contingency. To load at Saigon for Philippine ports two

The steamer Kinngtung on her return to |. No chartering has come to pass yet from | Reviewing the share business, for the week Capton from Yuet Shing also met with Java to Hongkong or Japan. The season is Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie & Co. write yesterday an accident. She collided with the Bri- reported to be belated through heavy rains, alternoon;and normal experis-will-not-start until a low

From Newchwang to Canton a few charters have resulted, rates in every instance being Bolow what was last paid. One or two more boats might be placed, but charterers are asking yet further reductions, which owners for the timebeing will not concede. Yangtaro freights, which looked so promis-

ing a short while ago, are now practically dead, and there is very little movement in any of the Northern trades.

rates are now suffering in consequence of the slackness of freights generally, and the greater. supply of boats. The following fiviures are reported : Haiphong to Canton at \$1.80, Waka-. pintzu to Canton at \$2.60; Moji to Hongkong at \$2.10, Wakamatzu to Hongkong at \$2.20 A 3,000 tons steamer has secured a timber

treight from Rajang to this port at \$13,000, lumo sum. Time Charters .- No w. s.s. Frithjof has been | forred shares. Hongkong; Canton and Macson chartered for a short term at \$4,400 -per month | Steambonts can probably be had at \$33. by Haiphong Chinese, who are still continuing | Shell - Transports are easier, and procurable their fight against the three European owners, at 6 /- ex the final dividend of 2/. for 1938 and to

Bangkok business. Sail Tonnage Loading or to Load :- For Baltimore and New York :- Brit. bark Alcides, 2,912 tons net reg., arrived Mhy 2nd.

Sail Tonnage Disengaged :- None,

Departure of Sailers:-None. ...

WEEKLY SHARE REPORTS.

Messis. Erich Georg & Co. write in their Weekly Shato List of 26th June :-

Business has continued rather slack during the week under review, and several stocks have weakened: the sterling demand, rate of exchange on London closes at 15 9 5/16d, while rates on Shanghai are Tls. 74# for a Bank T/T. and Tls. 75 to Tls. 751 for a three days' sight Private Bill, the rate in Shanghai on this for a three days' sight Private Draft being Tis. 748. Barsilver in London is quoted 24 1/16d., and Cousols £84 3/16. The Bank of England's r te of discount remains 22 per cent., while the private market rate of discount is 1 per cent. Bank Shares .- Hongkong and Shanghais sold at \$995 and \$1,000, and the market closes steady at latter rate; London quotes £94; in

the North shares sold at \$1,015, with an exchange of Tis. 73. Nationals are unchanged. Marine Insurance Shares,-Unions have sellers at \$840, China Traders buyers at \$855 North Chinas buyers at Tls. 106, Yangtszes buyers at \$215, and Cantons sellers at \$195, but no transactions have been reported, except a small sale of Cantons at Sigs.

Fire Insurance Shares.—Hongkongs can be placed at \$345. A few small odd lots o Chin is fetched \$111, the market closing strong with buyers at that figure.

Shipping Shares .- Bongkong, Canton and Macao Steambout shares have been done at \$33 at which figure further shares can be placed. Indo-Chinas, on receipt of a wire from London giving the bad result of the 1908 working, weakaned at once and are nominal now at \$67, while in Shanghai the nominal rate is Tls. 50; in London the prices have dropped to £3. 150. od. for preference shares and La. 5s for ceferred shares: Shell Transports have buyers at . 64s. for Hearer 'scrip', while Loudon quotes sellers at 65s, 3d, for Name shares telegraphic advices received from London states that this Company has declared a 3rd and final dividend of 2s, per share (making in all 4s, per share for 1908) and an interim dividend of is, on account of 1909, both dividends being payable in London on ist July, 1909. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged but without any trans

Refineries,-Small lots of China Sugars have changed hands at \$140, \$137, and \$135, and at latter rate a few more shares are wanted,

Luzons are unchanged. Mining Shares,—Charbonnages are inquired dend of fres, 75 per share for 1908 has been declared, but the report has not yet come to hand. Raubs sold at \$93 for fully paid up shares the market closing with sellers at \$9; a tole gram from the mine reports a crushing of 5,964 tons of ore, yielding 1,000 ounces of smelted Since the receipt of the intelligence from gold. Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's shares are steady at Tls. 184; the tota output of the Company's three mines for the week ended 5th instant, amounted to 31,63 tons of coal, and the sales during the same period to 22,048 tons.

Docks, Whatves; Godowns, &c.-Hongkong and Whampoa Dock shares are in demand at \$61, but holders are sticking out for higher rates. Fenwicks, as well as New Amoy Dock shares, are unchanged. Shanghai Docks tumbled in the North to Tis: 76, but our yesterday's Two more fatal cases of plague have occurred wire quotes them sales at Tls. 78; here Tls. 79 has been paid just now, but more shares are. on offer; the third annual general meeting of shareholders will be held on 8th proximo, salaries for diplomatic officials. transfer books closing from 30th instant to 8th proximo, both days inclusive; a final dividend | THE Revenue Council in Peking has decided of Tis. 22 per share will be recommended by to increase the duty on cigarettes to make up the directors at the forthcoming meeting, making I for the shortage in sait likin. Tis. 5 in all for year ended 30th April, 1900. Hongkong and Kowloon Whatves sold at declining rates, as low as \$55 having been ac- the appropriation of funds from the Imperial; cepted; at that figure, however, there are, further buyers, and no sellers apparently under \$57. Our Shaughai wire quotes Shanghai and

Hongkew Wharves Tls. 165 buyers, Lands, otels and Buildings, Hongkong Lands receded to sales at \$107, and have sellers now at \$108. Kowloon Lands are firm Hongkong Hotels have been done at \$68 for old, and \$38 for new shares; the latter issue is in request. Humphrey's Estates changed hands at \$91 and continue in request. Shang-

hai Lands are quoted Tis, 120. Cotton Mills.-- Ewos have advanced to Tls. In the direction Salgon to Hongkong there | 126. Other stocks under this heading are un-

· Sundry Manufacturing Companies .- China Light and Powers have ruled unsteady, but, after a sale at 56; close steady at that figure. Mining Company, as Director-General of Hongkong Electrics sold and have further | Mining Affairs in Mongolia and Tibet. buyers at, \$10, Ropes fetched \$25, Green Island Coments sold at \$9.10, \$9 and \$8.90, closing with sellers at \$9. Other stocks under reported sales.

Miscellaneous,-China Borngos sold at \$14 steamers have lately found employment at rates to \$15. closing with sellers at latter figure. China Providente are wanted at \$9.60. Peak' close there seems no disposition on the part of Tramways have buyers' at \$132 for old and \$14 for new shares. H. Price & Co.'s Again nothing has been doing in the shaps are quoted \$10 ex the dividend of 80 cents There is no room for outsiders from Bang. to Tis. 1.045, at which rate there are sellers kok to this port, the cargoes being exclusively the following telegraphic information, dated carried by the North German Lloyd boats and | 16th Instant, has been received from the those of the new competition, the Chinese- Sumaira director and manager at Langkat; that candidates for official posts in Mongolia Blamese S. S. Co. The latter concern appear "Daily aggregate output of crude petroleum and Tibet shall in future be nominated by that to have every confidence in the success of their | 110,000 gallons; ichude petroleum in tanks at venture, as they have just engaged for the term | date 350,000 gallons ; kerosene made since the towed off with the high tide and is none the to have been arranged, terms being kept heading no sales have been affected and rates written espection of the Secretary of the Sanle are.unchanced

The general tone of the market has beenbetter since we wrote last, and in a few cases."

prices have improved, ", Banks .- Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled strong during the week, and after, rales "at" \$1,005, and h frie, are now wanted at \$1,015. The London price has also improved

Murino Insurances, - Cantons are weak and offering at \$105. North Chinas are in demand at Tis 108. Unions are slightly carier and have been sold at the reduced rate of \$83740 Coal tonnage remains in good request, though Yangtszes are nominally quoted at \$230 in. Shanghal.

Fire Insurances,-China Fires are inquired r for at Sirf. Hoogkong Fires are still in day ? mand at Stat.

Shipping - China and Manilas are on offer at Sto and Douglases at \$36. Indo Chinas are out of lavour and neglected at \$66. The hanghai rate is: Tle. 50 and the London rate /313 for the Preferred and La for the deengaged in the trade. S.S. Drufar, which has interim of 1/- for account 1900 paid on the ast secured \$5,500 per month for one year, is the linst. (Coupon No. 12.) Star Ferries old and boat mentioned above as being intended for | new are unaltered and without business to

Refineries,-China Sugars have ruled firmer. during the week and after sales at \$140 have further sellers. Luzons are quiet at: 515. Perak Sugars have weakened to Tls. 260. Mining.-Chinese Engineerings have been sold at Tls. 18.20. Raubs continue on offer at

So, without inducing buyers. .. Docks, Wharves and Godowns .- Kowloon Wharfs have strengthened again to \$57, at which rate buyers prevail. Whampon Docks have been in some demand and rose to \$70, but are now obtainable at \$68, after sales.

Shanghai Docks are firm at Tis, 82. Hongkew Wharfs have risen to Tis. 163. Lands, Hotels and Buildings,-Hongkong Hotels, old, ex new issue have been sold at \$68, while the new shares are wanted at \$38," Sales of Hongkong Lands have been effected at \$108. West Points have found buyers at

\$464 closing with further inquiries. Cotton Mills .- Hongkong Cottons are on offer at \$81. Ewos have improved to Tis. 133. in the North. According to latest mail advices from the North, Internationals have sellers at" The 88, Lan Kung Mows, buyers at Tis 110,

and Soy Chees, sellers at Tls 375. Miscellaneous-China Borneos have been dealt in to a fair extent at Sr44. There are buyers of China Providents @ 59 60 and Hong!" kong Electrics at \$20. China Light and Powers have sellers at \$7.

Union Waterboats are in request at Stl. -William l'owells are quiet and obtainable at \$4. Laughats are quoted at Tis, 1,085 and Sumatras at Tis. 166. Exchange.-The Banks selling rate on Lon-

don is 1/9 3/16 on demand. The T/T rate on Shanghal is 748. Dividends Payable.—Shanghai Docks. Final of Tls. 24 for the year ending 30th April; 1909 payable in Shanghai on the 8th inst. Forward Settlements -The following dates

have been fixed by the Stockbrokers' Associa-

tion of Hongkong for forward Settlements :-July Settlement 30th July. 30th August. September (5) 20th September. October 20th October. November 🗨 😘 20th November. 29th December.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling. merica-Bank T.T. I talla T.T. ammenterinen mannen ann 131 Singaport-Bank T.T. per H.K. Stoo .....75

Japan-Bank T.T. .....85 . Buying. go days' sight San Francisco & New York, 437 4 months' sight 30 days sight Sydney & Molbourne ... 1.9 11/16 months' sight Bar Silver ...... 255 

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Walwupu has decided on an increase of

A PRESIDENT of one of the Ministries suggests Household for the naval expenditure.

Two coolies were fined \$7 each for obstructing electric cars Nos. 35 and 27 by drawing an overloaded truck at Des Vœux Road West;"

THE Colonial Secretary courteously informs at \$30. West Points changed owners at \$46h. us that a telegram has been received from Singapore declaring Hongkong to be infected. with bubonic plague.

H.E. Ko Yuchim, Macao Delimitation Com-

missioner, paid an official visit to Commodore

Lyon on board H.M.S. Tamar last Wednesday morning. The usual salute was fired. THE Prince Regent proposes to appoint H.R. Chang You mow, ox Director of the Kalping

THE Grand Councillors have agreed that High Ministers should apply for an audience with this heading are unchanged and without any the Prince Regent to report on important State affairs in order to preserve the utmost secrecy.

in such matters, -THE Government will name a gold mine in China, the development of which will be undertaken by the Ministry of Finance. That gold obtained therefrom will be laid up for the minting of colps for a gold currency.

PERSIDENT Shou Chi of the Mongolian Superintendency bas arranged with the Government's Board for appointment by the Throne.

Canton from an excursion to Yuet Shing, ran of 12 months another steamer in addition to date of the preceding half monthly telegram. TWENTY-FIVE dollars was, the fine simposed. the six, now employed, and there are rumours Too,ooo cases ; kerosene shipped since 120,000 on a Chinese widow, in the Police Court last " cases; and; koroseno in stock at refibery at Wednesday for removing the dead body of a male of From Hollo to Moji (sugar) a charter is said date 25,000 cases." In other stocks under this child at Shau-ki-wan on Tuesday without the

PROPOSED TYPPOON REFUGE.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS.

cial Judge there,

tance into the College to receive training.

FRUIGHT-MARKET .----Messrs, Lamke and Rogge write in their

owing to steamers being in ample supply, rates could not rise and in some instances have even

ranging from 332 to 24 cents per picel. At the charterers to make further engagements."

A san harbour fatality occurred last Sunday. THE fiftieth anniversary celebration of the port when the second engineer of the s.s. Arratoon | offYokohama was held on July 1. Appear met his death by crowning.

TWENTY Russian students and fifteen business men and journalids of Vend-vestok have arrived at Tsuruga on a tour of uspection through

THE latest addition to the Register of Chemists and Druggists in Hongkong is that of Mr. George Harper, with Messrs. A. S. Watson &

OWING to the arrival at Peking of Mr. Chirol Mr. J. O. P. Bland has postponed his departure for Europe. It is understood that he will leave with Mr. Chirol.

THE body of the late Mr. La Varriere, French Vice Consul, who was accidentally drowned on May 28, has been recovered at Yanglo, says the Hankow Mall.

THE British cruiser Monmouth arrived at Nagasaki from Wei-hai-wei on the 10th ulto,, as well as the United States destroyers Bainbridge, aims. Barry, Chauncey and Dale.

THE name of Dr. J. A. Churchill has been ad ded to the Register of Medical and Surgical Practitioners qualified to practice medicine and surgery in Hongkong.

H.E. CHANG Chih-tung, Director General of the Yuet-Han Railway, has written to the Waiwu-pu to inquire as to the regulations for the employment of foreign engineers.

Shanghai Dock and En incering Co., Ld., the directors will recommend a final dividend of Tis. 2) per share, making Tis. 5 per share for | at g as Acting Viceroy on account of the gre the year ended April 30 last.

IN view of the complicated pature of the Chino-Inpanese negotiations touching question of Pratas Island, it is announced that Japan will shortly send a commission to the Island to investigate the conditions locally.

THE local agent of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. Ltd., kindly informs us that the total output of the Company's three mines. It pan on the afternoon of the 17th ultim for the week ending 12th June amounted to Kobe receiving the tail end of it. At Tatsun 34,158.08 tons and the sales during the period to 24,433.50 tons.

RECENTLY the Waterworks Company in Peking, when digging the ground in front of · Prince Kung's establishment to lay down ser-· vice pipes, discovered a jade bridge mensuring over thirty Chinese feet. It is reported that as It was a piece of autiquity the company decided not to disturb it without authority and the valuable bridge was again covered up.

ACCORDING to the Anahi, Mr. Kodama Otomatsu, said to be a well-known explorer in way on Monday. Another hoatman was fin the South Bea Islands, who has been recuperating at his home in Fukuoks, left Moji on Monday by the N. Y. K. S. Sado Maru for further adventures in 'the Celebes and New Guinen. He will, then proceed to Albany, West Australia, whence he will start in search of the South Pole. -

His Excellency the Governor has given assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances | engineer of the steamer Arratoon Apour, passed by the Legislative Council-An Ordin- recovered in the harbour, near Hunghom B ance to amend The Prison Ordinance 1899; at an early hour last Wednesday morning. an Ordinance to amend The Tramways Ordin will be remembered, Mr. Earnshaw went ance 1883; an Ordinance to transfer to certain for a swim on Sunday and was drawned. Officers of the Public Service certain duties at [uneral took place the same evening. present performed by other Officers; and an Ordinance to amend The Prepared Opium Ordinance 1891.

consulted the Ministry of the Interior on the possibility of affixing distinctive doorplates to houses occupied by opium-smokers. Y3,500,000) for the purpose of extending His Highness has also decided to institute inquiries as to what officials in the capital and the provinces are addicted to opium-smoking and tests will be held every three months of those officials who are reported to have the habit. It is also suggested that High Commi sloners he appointed to detect the habit among high provincial officials.

THE Honan officials and gentry, as it will be remembered, have been opposing the Peking syndicate's right to sell coal in that province, and the dispute is awaiting settlement in Peking. In order to prevent all foreign mining enterprises, they are now endeavouring to enlist the help of Chinese residing in the South Pacific colonies, many of whom are of considerable means. They intend to send a delegate to those places to raise capital to develop mines. Add to this, they will also apply for assistance from the people of other provinces.

THE Anti-Opino Society had a procession round the streets of Fochow on Friday, headed by two trumpeters, and escorted by hanner bearers. There was a long string of coolies carrying old opium pipes, and opium smoking paraphernalia; also in the procession were two loads of the British American Tobacco Coy.'s cigarettes No doubt the British American Tobacco Co. can supply the Anti-Opium Society with an unlimited quantity of cigarettes for their bonfires... Drumbead and King Stor are very cheap, and a big blaze can be made at a small outlay of money.

A CHINESE report states that recently a Japan. ase imported nine sheep to Newchwang, intending to take them to east Mongolia to he crossed with the sheep there for breeding purposes. This Japanese has been in Mongolia for seven years, and finding sheep-breeding a profitable undertaking, returned to Japan last year, when he devoted himself to studying sheep-breeding in Japan. He has raised some capital for the enterprise, using the name of a Chinese for the venture. It appears that the equipped with ten 12-inch guns, tonus value of wool experted to Japan last year be of 25,000 tons displacement, 658 amounted to over £30,000,000.

Some eighty Chinese merchants and traders in the French Concession of Shanghai have presented a joint petition to the Taotai praying other countries. him to try and secure reduction of rents from the landlords in view of the hard times prevailing. The Taotai, whilst promising to communicate with the French Consul on the subject, repeats the statement of the French Consular representative that landlords have the right to ask for as high rentals as tenants are prepared to give and that they cannot be compelled to make reductions. He would ask them to endeavour to obtain a reduction from the landlords in a friendly way. -N. C. D. Nows.

A TELEGRAM' from Mr. Matsubara, Japanese Consul at Chicago, dated the .7th ultime to As reported recently in our columns, pet the Foreign Office in Tokyo, says :- It is re- oil has been discovered in a well at Mori ported that the tea merchants in New York be- near Oishi Station on the Hanshin R lieve the Senate will not agree to impose a Railway. On the 12th ultimo Mr. Matsu direct duty on tea, and the tea market in of Kobe, made an application to the America is reviving. In Obicago the tes, mar- District Mining Office for a charter to ca ket is ruled mainly by the demand, and is not is trial working of the petroleum deposit within so much affected by speculative business as in a space of about 1,000,000 taubo, of land com-New York. Experienced tea merchants in prising the villages: of Tokahams, Tokana, Chicago are of opinion that the dealers will not and Shinohara in the vicinity of Mori-mura, regain confidence before the question of the where the oil was found. Mr. Ogawa; of Nishi-

socided by Congress.

On April 1, 1908, the total strength of the Hong kong Volunteer Corps was 205, and on March 31, 1909, it was 184. SUNDAY, the 4th inst., being the least of Res Bre Director Christian, a concert will be give by the Boys of St. Joseph's College at 6.3

GRAND Councillor Chang Chib-tung propose to appoint a Commissioner of Commerce s Hankow after the completion of the Canton Hankow and Szechuan-Hankow Rallways.

PROMINENT Toklo financiers are organizing syndicate to supply materials for the propose railways between Canton, Hankow and Sze chuan, and to assist in the work of construction

THE Police Court is occasionally the scene amusing incidents. Yesterday morning, an Is ding residing at Kowloon quietly walked in the Court from with a goat snugly resting in h

TWELVE strokes of the birch and 48 hours' de tention was awarded a Chinaman with no or cupation at the Magistracy last Tuesday for a stulting a compatriot at Connaught Road We

on Monday. THE Ministry of Agriculture, Industry at Commerce has decided to hold large industria exhibitions at Hankow, Tientsin and Shangh and a report on the subject will shortly made to the Throne.

AT the forthcoming annual meeting of the | Unless the Viceroy in Tientsin recovers from It illness on expiration of his leave, th Government will appoint President Tieh L importance of the post.

> DURING 1908 three members of the Hougko Vilunteer Corps died, 5 were struck off t s ength (having left the Colony) and 76 resign cd (1 on medical certificate, 34 on leaving the Colony and 4t in the Colony).

A SEVERE thunderstorm swept over Cents pear Himeji, and Miyazu, near Maizura, t storm was accompanied by a heavy shower

As the opium prohibition measures are deer ed to have been carried out in Shantung w much success, the Government proposes order all the provinces to adopt the regulation in force in that province for suppressing opit smoking.

Firty dollars was the fine imposed at the Pol-C urt last Tuesday on Chan Kau, a boatma for making fast to the s.s. Zafirn whilst und Sty for suchoring his boat within the limits the Southern Fairway.

A CC OLIR under the Bailiffof the Supreme Co was brought up in the Police Court yesterd 'morning on three charges of accepting bril fr: m sub-tenants of various housesto allow the io emove their furniture.\_ Bail was allowed the sum of \$200 and the case was remanded

THE body of Mr. James Earnshaw, seco

A GENERAL meeting of the Osaka Spinn Company held on the 18th ultima adopted proposal to pay a dividend for the half-y-PRINCE Kung, Anti-Opium Commissioner, has just closing at the rate of 11 per-cent. per nom, and also a proposal to increase the cap al by Y1,250,000 (the existing capital weaving it dustry.

In regard, to the proposed improvement telephones in Peking, it is stated that plan is to purchase a new plant from Amer instal 1000 telephone apparatus inside ou'side the Wall, and gradually increase the to 6,000. The accommodation can be incre ed to 12,000. The work will be completed the end of next year.

THE annual report of the Pacific Mail Ste ship Company, issued on May 24th, sh gious entnings of \$4,664,994, expenses \$4,6 732, leaving net earnings of \$12,207, which turned into a deficit of \$3:9,685, after ma allowance for depreciation and like cha-In 1995 the deficit was \$429,817. The reti directors were te-elected.

ACCORDING to a Chinese report the Chi Resident at Lhasa has reported to the Gov ment the return of the Dalai Lam : to. and that neither the British and Russians taken any unusual steps to affect the situa The Resident also reports that the Pan Lama is exceedingly loyal and submission Chips and the Government should there bestow favours on him to strengthen his feelings to the Empire.

ANOTHER development has taken place regard to the Shanghai Alhambra. A wa has been issued for the arrest of the Chin who for some time past has operated reulefte wheel there and now it only ren for an opportunity to arise for the police t the warrant into force. Although at pres is yet early to judge of the effect of this s promises to effectively check the employment Chinese for this purpose in future.

THE keels of four battleships of the L neught type have been laid down at the sian Naval Yard on the Baltic. These are in he named ! Petrop wlovsk, Po Servitopol and Landgoost. They will en length, and 82 feet in width, and will ! speed of 20 knots. They are expected completed in three years, and to be a provement on the warships now being be

THE following rule of court under date 10th has been promulgated by Mr. Wild American Consul-General, in Shangbai, judicial capacity - Admission to practi Attorneys-at-law in the United States Co Court at Shaughai shall hereafter be g only to persons admitted to practise torneys-at-law in the United States Co China. Foreign practitioners having p sion to appear in the U.S. Court for shall be granted the same privilege Court. (Blgned) T. C. White, Clerk of C

imposition of duty on ten has been finally Nada, has also made, a similar application for a charter over 350,000 teabo of adjoining land

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and	Snan, hal Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tis. 5	O Tis, 50	Tis, 1,525	7045 Tis. 142,	Final of Tis. 3 and bonus of I	******	61 %	Tis. 120 buyer \$46} sales
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